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WITH DISABILITIES, MOVE TEXAS §  
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VOTERS OF TEXAS, and AMERICAN GI §  
FORUM OF TEXAS, INC., §

*Plaintiffs* §

v. §

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HANCOCK, in her official capacity as §  
BRAZOS COUNTY ELECTIONS §  
ADMINISTRATOR, and PERLA LARA in §  
her official capacity as CITY OF §  
MCALLEN, TEXAS SECRETARY, §

*Defendants.* §

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taken in the above-styled and numbered cause on  
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PROCEEDINGS

(On the record at 1:37 p.m.)

THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We are going on the video record. Today is May 11th, 2020. The time is 1:37 p.m.

The civil action number is 5:19-cv-00963-OLG in the matter of Dr. George Richardson, et al., versus Texas Secretary of State. The deponent is Texas Secretary of State 30(b)(6), Keith Ingram. The video deposition is requested by the plaintiffs' counsel, Texas Civil Rights Project, Austin.

My name is Maygun Flanagan. I'm the videographer. The court reporter today is Becky Graziano. We are both representing HG Litigation Services.

Would counsel like to state their appearances on the record or transcript?

MR. MIRZA: Hello. Can you hear me?

THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Yes.

MR. MIRZA: Oh, you can hear me? Okay.

I'd like to -- we can state it on

1 the record. My name is Hani Mirza. I'm  
2 with the Texas Civil Rights Project, and  
3 I'm representing plaintiffs.

4 MR. COX: Ryan Cox, also with the  
5 Texas Civil Rights Project on behalf of  
6 the plaintiffs.

7 MS. MACKIN: Anna Mackin with the  
8 Texas Office of the Attorney General,  
9 representing the defendant Texas Secretary  
10 of State, in her official capacity.

11 MR. MAGEE: This is Eric Magee.  
12 I'm here on behalf of defendant Trudy  
13 Hancock, the Brazos County  
14 electric -- elections administrator, in  
15 her official capacity.

16 MR. TAWIL: Isaac Tawil on behalf  
17 of Perla Lara, City of McAllen city  
18 secretary.

19 MR. KALAR: On behalf of  
20 plaintiffs, Samuel Kalar of the law firm  
21 Willkie Farr & Gallagher.

22 MS. SURIANI: And Joanna Suriani  
23 from the law firm Willkie Farr & Gallagher  
24 on behalf of plaintiff.

25 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: The deponent may

1 now be sworn in.

2 (Witness duly sworn.)

3 BRIAN KEITH INGRAM,  
4 being first duly sworn, testified as follows:

5 EXAMINATION

6 BY MR. MIRZA:

7 Q Okay. Welcome back, Mr. Ingram. I'm  
8 going -- can you please state your full name for  
9 the record?

10 A Brian Keith Ingram.

11 Q And do you remember the general guidelines  
12 I spoke about for depositions this morning?

13 A Yes.

14 Q Are your responses to those  
15 questions -- to the questions related to those  
16 guidelines the same?

17 A Yes.

18 Q And you are the director of elections,  
19 correct, for the Secretary of State?

20 A I am.

21 Q Okay. And what did you do to prepare for  
22 this deposition?

23 A Well, I reviewed some documents and I met  
24 with my attorneys.

25 Q Okay. Did you review -- did you review

**Why is that an improper action?**

A The ballot board is there to look at what they've got. They're not there to get more evidence. They don't have any statutory ability or requirement that they review more evidence other than other signatures by the same voter.

In 2014, they can only review other signatures to help the voter. They couldn't use it to disqualify a ballot. Now, then they can use it to help or hurt the voter. But that's the only additional information they get, are signatures from the last six years.

**Q Okay. And we talked about this in the other deposition regarding signatures that they can use for the last six years. One of those signatures is the signature on the voter registration application, if that's available; correct?**

A If it's available, yes.

**Q What other documents generally are on file for the voter where the voter signature are -- is included?**

A Past ballots-by-mail carrier envelopes, applications for ballot-by-mail, and voter registration signatures.



1 Q Have you seen anything else being used to  
2 make a signature verification determination?

3 A I don't know what else there would be.

4 Q Okay. Okay. This exhibit -- I think  
5 we're at Exhibit 8 -- starts at SOS\_4398. I think  
6 we'll just mark 4398.

7 (Exhibit 8 marked.)

8 BY MR. MIRZA:

9 Q I want to let you review this document.  
10 Let me know when you want me to scroll down.

11 A Go down. Okay.

12 Q It's the end of the page.

13 We'll mark this, I think, as -- I  
14 mentioned this before, but Exhibit 8.

15 Does this appear to be an inspector  
16 report for early voting ballot board meeting for  
17 the City of Crystal City?

18 A Yes.

19 Q Okay. If I could direct your attention to  
20 Item Number 24, do you see that?

21 A I do.

22 Q Can you read that statement?

23 A "There were three poll watchers. All of  
24 the poll watchers were harassing the board  
25 regarding signature rejections."

1     **okay.**

2                   **Do you agree with the point that**  
3     **Genevieve is making here?**

4                   MS. MACKIN:   Objection; form.

5     BY MR. MIRZA:

6         **Q           You can answer the question.**

7         A           I did.   Yes, I agree with her.

8         **Q           Oh.   Oh, okay.**

9                   **Okay.   Okay.   So I want to talk about**  
10     **the process a voter goes through to submit a**  
11     **mail-in ballot.**

12                   **So the first thing they do is submit**  
13     **an application for ballot by mail; correct?**

14         A           That is correct.

15         **Q           And then what materials are sent to the**  
16     **voter if their application is accepted by the**  
17     **early voting clerk?**

18         A           The blank ballot, carrier envelope,  
19     secrecy envelope, instructions to the voter, a  
20     "Dear Voter" letter, possibly a notice of ID  
21     required, and possibly a notice of that you need  
22     to update your address -- what do they call  
23     it -- notice of -- notice to suspense voter is  
24     what I think it's called, but it requires that  
25     they do a statement of residence.   So they also

1 get the statement of residence in their mail  
2 packet.

3 Q Okay. What is included in the "Dear  
4 Voter" letter?

5 A The "Dear Voter" letter is a letter from  
6 the secretary that talks about their rights as a  
7 voter and voting by mail.

8 Q Okay. Does the "Dear Voter" letter  
9 mention anything about the signature verification  
10 procedure?

11 A I don't know.

12 Q Okay. Is that something the SOS can get  
13 information on?

14 A Yes. I can look it up.

15 Q Okay.

16 And before you answer the question,  
17 please just state what document you're -- you're  
18 looking at.

19 A What I'm looking at right now is Form  
20 Number 5-35. It's not the "Dear Voter" letter,  
21 but it mentions the "Dear Voter" letter.

22 Q Okay.

23 A It looks like 5-35 is an earlier version  
24 of 5-22b that I mentioned earlier.

25 Q Okay.

1 A I can't find it.

2 Q Okay.

3 MR. MIRZA: Anna, would it be  
4 possible to get -- I don't -- I'm not sure  
5 if the "Dear Voter" letter was provided in  
6 the discovery responses. If you could  
7 either -- if it was, like, if you could  
8 tell me the Bates number or if you could  
9 supplement.

10 I think you're on mute.

11 MS. MACKIN: Sorry. That would  
12 have been, I think, one of the publicly  
13 available forms on the SOS website. I can  
14 provide you a link to that.

15 MR. MIRZA: Okay. The "Dear Voter"  
16 letter specifically?

17 MS. MACKIN: Yes.

18 MR. MIRZA: Okay. Okay. Sounds  
19 good.

20 BY MR. MIRZA:

21 Q And then, Mr. Ingram, you mentioned  
22 another document that provides instructions to the  
23 voter?

24 A Yes. It's 5-22b.

25 Q Does that mention the signature

**verification procedure?**

A It does not. I thought it did, but it doesn't.

**Q Okay.**

A It's probably a good thing to add, though, so we'll probably be adding it in a future version.

**Q Okay. Do any of the materials you mentioned that are sent to the voter mention the signature verification procedure?**

A I don't know about the "Dear Voter" letter. That's what I would like to read.

I stink. Busted link.

I'm writing an email to Christina Adkins right quick to point me to the "Dear Voter" letter.

**Q Okay. I do want to remind you that any documents you have opened, any, like, communications during the deposition, we would have -- are discoverable in our opinion.**

A Okay. I just sent her an email saying: "Can you point me to the 'Dear Voter' letter."

**Q Okay. But besides the "Dear Voter" letter, which you don't know about whether it mentions the verification procedure, do any of the**

1 other materials that are -- ballot materials that  
2 are sent to the voter, do any of them mention the  
3 signature verification procedure?

4 A No.

5 Q Okay.

6 MR. MIRZA: Okay. I think this is  
7 a good time to take a, let's say,  
8 15-minute break. We can get -- come back  
9 on the record at 3:40, if that works for  
10 everyone.

11 MS. MACKIN: That's fine, but  
12 before we go off, I would like to  
13 please -- I didn't notice this when we  
14 produced it, but it appears that 34658  
15 through 34662 has some personal  
16 information of someone who participated in  
17 the address confidentiality program  
18 because she was a victim of domestic  
19 violence; and so I'd like to designate  
20 those pages as confidential, just in the  
21 interest of protecting that individual's  
22 privacy.

23 MR. MIRZA: And that is fine with  
24 us.

25 MS. MACKIN: Thank you.



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I, Rebecca A. Graziano, Certified Shorthand  
Reporter in and for the State of Texas, hereby  
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That the witness, BRIAN KEITH INGRAM, was  
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deposition is a true record of the testimony given  
by the witness;

I further certify that pursuant to FRCP Rule  
30(f)(1) that the signature of the deponent:

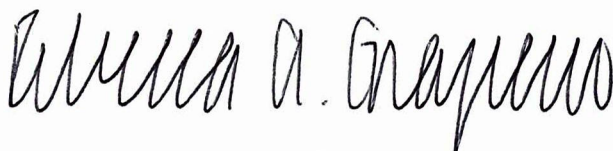
1            \_\_\_\_ was requested by the deponent or a  
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3            returned within 30 days from date of receipt of  
4            the transcript. If returned, the attached Changes  
5            and Signature Page contains any changes and the  
6            reasons therefor.

7            \_\_\_\_ was not requested by the deponent or a  
8            party before the completion of the deposition.

9            I further certify that I am neither attorney  
10           nor counsel for, related to, nor employed by any  
11           of the parties to the action in which this  
12           testimony was taken.

13           Further, I am not a relative or employee of  
14           any attorney of record in this cause, nor do I  
15           have a financial interest in the action.

16           Subscribed and sworn to on this \_\_\_\_ day of  
17           \_\_\_\_\_, 2020.

18  
19  
20  
21           

22           Rebecca A. Graziano, CSR, RPR, CRR  
23           Texas CSR No. 9306  
24           Expiration Date: 07/31/22  
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# Exhibit 2

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## PROCEEDINGS

(On the record at 9:32 a.m.)

THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We are going on the video record. Today is May 11th, 2020. The time is approximately 9:32 a.m.

The civil action number is 5:19-cv-00963-OLG in the matter of Dr. George Richardson, et al., versus Texas Secretary of State. The deponent is Keith Ingram. The video deposition is requested by the plaintiffs' counsel, Texas Civil Rights Project, Austin.

My name is Maygun Flanagan. I'm the videographer. The court reporter today is Becky Graziano. We are both representing HG Litigation Services.

Would counsel like to state their appearances on the record or transcript?

MR. MIRZA: On the record works.

My name is Hani Mirza. I'm representing the plaintiffs in this case.

MR. COX: Ryan Cox, also on behalf of plaintiffs.

MS. MACKIN: Anna Mackin with the Texas Attorney General's office on behalf

1 of the defendants.

2 MR. TAWIL: Isaac Tawil  
3 representing Perla Lara in her capacity as  
4 city secretary of the City of McAllen.

5 MS. MACKIN: And I'm sorry. Let me  
6 clarify. On behalf of defendant -- this  
7 is Anna Mackin on behalf of defendant Ruth  
8 Hughs in her official capacity as  
9 Secretary of State of Texas.

10 MR. MAGEE: And this is Eric Magee  
11 on behalf of defendant Trudy Hancock in  
12 her official capacity as the Brazos County  
13 elections administrator.

14 MR. KALAR: And also for  
15 plaintiffs, Samuel Kalar with the law firm  
16 Willkie Farr & Gallagher.

17 MS. SURIANI: I'm Joanna Suriani of  
18 the law firm Willkie Farr & Gallagher,  
19 also on behalf of plaintiffs.

20 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Okay. The  
21 deponent may now be sworn in.

22 (Witness duly sworn.)

23 BRIAN KEITH INGRAM,  
24 being first duly sworn, testified as follows:  
25

1 the changes for those.

2 Q And besides the forms that you listed,  
3 what other information does the Secretary of State  
4 provide on its website to voters who wish to vote  
5 by mail?

6 A Okay. So votetexas.gov has a whole  
7 vote-by-mail section that you can go read at your  
8 leisure.

9 Q What does it generally explain to voters?

10 A That they need to apply for a ballot, and  
11 that they need to mail it back in after they mark  
12 it. They need to sign the carrier envelope.

13 Q Okay. I'm going to pull a document.

14 MR. MIRZA: Anna, can you still  
15 hear us? I just saw your message.

16 MS. MACKIN: Yes. Yes. It cut out  
17 for maybe ten seconds, but --

18 MR. MIRZA: Okay.

19 MS. MACKIN: I'm good now. Thank  
20 you.

21 BY MR. MIRZA:

22 Q Did you receive the link I just sent,  
23 Mr. Ingram?

24 A Yes.

25 Q I'm going to mark this link, which is an

1 application for ballot-by-mail, as Exhibit 2.

2 (Exhibit 2 marked.)

3 BY MR. MIRZA:

4 Q Okay. Are you familiar with this  
5 document?

6 A I am.

7 Q Okay. And this document allows voters to  
8 provide their telephone number and email address  
9 if they wish to; correct?

10 A Yes.

11 Q And can you discuss -- does this document  
12 explain in any way how a voter -- wait. Let me  
13 rephrase that question.

14 And so Section 10 is where the voter  
15 signs the document; correct?

16 A Yes.

17 Q And what happens if the voter is not able  
18 to sign?

19 A They can have a witness sign for them.

20 Q Does it -- does the -- does this form  
21 provide any instructions with regard to  
22 Section 10, besides instructions on when you're  
23 allowed to have a signature -- so when you're  
24 allowed to have a witness sign for you and under  
25 what conditions?

1 MS. MACKIN: I'm going to object to  
2 the form of the question, and also I  
3 believe the document speaks for itself as  
4 to what instructions it provides.

5 But, Keith, you can answer.

6 THE WITNESS: Yeah, I don't really  
7 understand the question.

8 BY MR. MIRZA:

9 Q Let me try to rephrase it.

10 Does this -- does this document  
11 mention -- provide any instructions -- or let me  
12 rephrase the question.

13 Does this document explain to voters  
14 that the signature could be used during the  
15 signature verification process?

16 MS. MACKIN: Same objection.

17 You can answer if you understand,  
18 Keith.

19 THE WITNESS: It doesn't -- I mean,  
20 I can read these directions. The  
21 instructions are on the back of the form,  
22 and it does tell the witness -- the person  
23 they can sign or have a witness sign it.

24 BY MR. MIRZA:

25 Q But does it -- does it inform the voter

1 that the signature can be -- will be used during  
2 the signature verification process?

3 A It doesn't -- it doesn't talk about how  
4 this is processed, no.

5 Q Okay. I'm going to provide another link.  
6 Did you receive my link? It was just  
7 sent.

8 A Yes.

9 Q Okay. I'd like to mark this as Exhibit 3.  
10 (Exhibit 3 marked.)

11 BY MR. MIRZA:

12 Q Does this document look familiar,  
13 generally speaking?

14 A It looks like a carrier envelope.

15 Q Okay. And on -- is it correct that the  
16 voter is required to sign on -- over the flap of  
17 the envelope on a carrier envelope?

18 A Yes.

19 Q And is it true that when they sign,  
20 generally the signature will most -- will -- half  
21 the signature will be on the flap of the envelope  
22 and the other half will be on the envelope itself?

23 A That's ideal, yes.

24 MS. MACKIN: Objection; form.

25 BY MR. MIRZA:

1 at some point that's required to take place;  
2 correct?

3 A If you're talking about the processing of  
4 a mail ballot by the ballot board, yes.

5 Q Okay. And the ballot board is responsible  
6 for that process; correct?

7 A Yes. They can -- a county or another  
8 election-holding entity can have a signature  
9 verification committee that takes a first crack at  
10 them. But generally, a ballot board is going to  
11 have the final say.

12 Q And the -- who creates the signature  
13 verification committee? Is it the early voting  
14 clerk who has that responsibility?

15 A It's the early voting clerk that can  
16 decide whether to or not, yes.

17 Q Did you catch my question? Sorry. Hello?

18 A It's the early voting clerk that can  
19 decide whether to or not, yes.

20 Hello. I'm here.

21 Q Can you hear me? Yeah.

22 And if the early voting clerk  
23 disagrees with the signature determination by the  
24 early voting ballot board, what actions can they  
25 take to overturn that determination?



1       A       87.127 of the election code creates a  
2 procedure where if a -- if an early voting clerk  
3 believes a ballot board wrongfully accepted or  
4 rejected mail-in ballots or provisional ballots,  
5 then they've got the opportunity to take that  
6 determination to district court and get a judge to  
7 look at it.

8       Q       During your time as -- sorry. Let me  
9 rephrase that.

10               Are you aware of any local election  
11 official -- sorry.

12               Are you aware of any early voting  
13 clerk taking that type of action?

14       A       Yes.

15       Q       Tell me which early voting clerks have  
16 taken that action from -- based on your knowledge?

17       A       Well, the one that I know did it was in  
18 Caldwell County.

19       Q       Do you know of any other instance where  
20 that action has been taken by an early voting  
21 clerk?

22       A       No. We've talked to some early voting  
23 clerks and reminded them that it's an  
24 available -- that it's an available option for  
25 them. I don't know whether they actually went to

1 court or not.

2 Q Okay. And what happened after -- what  
3 happened -- what was the result of the Caldwell  
4 County case?

5 A I don't remember precisely the details.  
6 It seems like it was, like, five or six ballots  
7 that she thought had been rejected incorrectly,  
8 and so she took those to district court. The  
9 Court agreed with the early voting clerk that all  
10 but one of those were rejected incorrectly but  
11 that the last one was properly rejected.

12 The one that the district court upheld  
13 the rejection on, that voter complained to our  
14 office because she felt like her ballot had been  
15 wrongfully rejected by both the ballot board and  
16 the district court judge.

17 Q Can you explain to me generally the duties  
18 of the early voting ballot board?

19 A So the early voting ballot board, their  
20 primary responsibility is to deal with the  
21 processing and counting of mail ballots. They  
22 have a secondary responsibility to  
23 determine -- make determinations on provisional  
24 ballots.

25 Q And how often does the early voting ballot

1 legislation.

2 Q Are the members of the early voting ballot  
3 board required to undergo any training?

4 A They're not required to undergo training.  
5 We recommend that they have training.

6 Q And can you describe the trainings that  
7 you recommend?

8 A Well, we recommend that the early voting  
9 clerk go through the ballot board handbook with  
10 them before they start.

11 Q And why do you recommend the early voting  
12 clerk do that?

13 A So that they've got a sense of what their  
14 about to undertake.

15 Q And why -- why do you recommend that the  
16 early voting clerk and not somebody else take that  
17 action?

18 A Well, I mean, anybody can do it, and you  
19 can read the ballot board handbook on your own.  
20 The main thing is to become familiar with the  
21 ballot board handbook. I don't know why you want  
22 to get hung up on who familiarizes them with it.

23 Q I'm just asking why the recommendation  
24 is --

25 A We don't --

1       **Q           -- for the early voting clerk.**

2       A           "Recommendation" might be too strong a  
3 word, and it might be that you're getting hung up  
4 on recommending that the early voting clerk do it.  
5 It doesn't matter who does it. We would recommend  
6 that the ballot board read the book before they  
7 start work.

8       **Q           Okay. Is any training provided on how**  
9 **signatures should be compared?**

10      A           It's in the ballot board handbook, yes.

11      **Q           Can you generally describe the training on**  
12 **that specific topic?**

13      A           So "Section 84.- -- 87.041(c) [sic]  
14 provides that the board/committee may compare  
15 signatures with any two or more signatures of the  
16 voter made within the preceding six years and on  
17 file with the voter registrar, clerk, or elections  
18 administrators. These additional signatures may  
19 be used to confirm that the signatures are either  
20 those or are not those of the same person."

21                   If there's no signature, the ballot  
22 must be rejected. If the voter was unable to sign  
23 his or her name on the application and/or carrier  
24 envelope, then they have to be signed by a  
25 witness, and since different people can witness

1 those, then the ballot is accepted.

2 Q Is there any training -- so you mentioned  
3 that they can -- that the types of signatures that  
4 they are supposed to compare -- or the  
5 signatures -- the documents with the signatures  
6 that they're supposed to compare. Can you -- do  
7 you know of any standards that SOS recommends or  
8 how those signatures should be compared?

9 A Our standard is could they have been made  
10 by the same person.

11 Q Okay. And what kind of -- did -- what  
12 kind of recommendation -- let me rephrase that.

13 Does SOS help local -- the EVBB  
14 members or SVC members -- scratch that.

15 Are there any guidelines on how to  
16 determine whether a signature was signed by the  
17 same person or not, that the SOS provides?

18 A So it is at the discretion of the  
19 committee members to use their best judgment and  
20 to verify that the signatures are made by the same  
21 person. The committee members must use their best  
22 judgment if the signatures match, and they can  
23 look at other signatures on file from the same  
24 voter in the past six years, either from other  
25 applications and carrier envelopes or voter

1 registration. And then they have to decide by a  
2 majority vote that the signatures are of the same  
3 person or of not the same person, and the standard  
4 has to be whether or not the two signatures could  
5 have been made by the same person.

6 **Q And so...**

7 **Who appoints the EVBB presiding judge?**

8 A Well, it depends upon the election. But  
9 in a general election for state and county  
10 officers, it would be the political party whose  
11 candidate won the governor in the last race -- in  
12 the last gubernatorial election.

13 **Q Okay. And who appoints the EVBB members?**

14 A So then there's lists provided by both  
15 parties, assuming we're talking about state and  
16 county officer elections, and you have to select a  
17 member from each list.

18 **Q Okay. Do early voting clerks ever appoint**  
19 **early voting ballot board members?**

20 A Yes. I mean, the entity elections, they  
21 do.

22 **Q And what document are you -- are you**  
23 **looking at a document right now to --**

24 A Yes, I'm looking at the election code.

25 Anyway, we've got nice fancy charts in

1 our training materials from the summer election  
2 seminar and the one that we do for city, school,  
3 and other political subdivisions.

4 Yeah, so the entity ordering the  
5 election can appoint the early voting ballot board  
6 under 87.004.

7 **Q Okay. Is there any requirement for an**  
8 **early voting ballot board presiding judge or**  
9 **member or anybody in the SVC to be a handwriting**  
10 **expert or a document examiner?**

11 **A** No. No, we do not expect them to be  
12 handwriting experts or document examiners.

13 **Q Can you go through the requirements of the**  
14 **signature verification committee generally?**

15 MS. MACKIN: Objection; form.

16 THE WITNESS: Well --

17 MS. MACKIN: You can answer if you  
18 understand.

19 THE WITNESS: I don't know what  
20 that means. The requirements for what  
21 they do or the requirements for who they  
22 are?

23 BY MR. MIRZA:

24 **Q What they do.**

25 **A** So the signature verification committee is

1 Q Okay. Can you review this page? And let  
2 me know when you would like me to scroll down to  
3 the rest of it.

4 A All right. Go to Number 4.  
5 It looks like we got a typo in there.  
6 Okay.

7 Q Are you familiar with this page?

8 A I'm -- I don't know if I've ever seen it,  
9 but I'm familiar with the content, yes.

10 Q I'd like you to look at Item 2. After  
11 reviewing that, I wanted to ask, is it -- is it  
12 possible for signatures to not match but still be  
13 signed by the same voter?

14 A Is that possible?

15 Q Yes.

16 A So what the ballot board determines is  
17 could the signatures have been made by the same  
18 person. They can definitely -- it's certainly  
19 possible that a ballot board could reject  
20 signatures that were, in fact, made by the same  
21 person that they didn't believe were made by the  
22 same person that -- using their best judgment.

23 Q Okay. But what I'm asking is: Is it  
24 possible for signatures to match -- sorry.

25 Is it possible for signatures to not



1 match but still be signed by the same voter?

2 A What I said, it is reasonable for a ballot  
3 board -- and possibly happens for a ballot board  
4 using their best judgment -- to have signatures  
5 that were, in fact, made by the same person that  
6 they reject because they do not believe they were  
7 made by the same person.

8 Q Okay. So I'm not asking about the ballot  
9 board. I'm just asking, based on your knowledge  
10 and experience, is it possible for signatures to  
11 not match and still be signed by the same voter?

12 A And what I'm telling you is the ballot  
13 board can possibly make a determination that if  
14 signatures were not made by the same person when,  
15 in fact, they were made by the same person.

16 I'm going to answer it the same way  
17 every time.

18 Q Okay. But you're not answering my  
19 question. It's a yes-or-no question.

20 A Yes, I am. I am -- I'm definitely  
21 answering your question.

22 Q Can you explain how you're answering my  
23 question?

24 MS. MACKIN: Why don't --

25 THE WITNESS: What you want to do

1       A       I don't think so. I don't think it needs  
2       to be anywhere else. I'm not sure what you're  
3       getting at.

4       Q       And what -- why do you believe it doesn't  
5       have to be mentioned anywhere else?

6       A       Because this is the form that the voters  
7       get that -- upon which they need to take action.  
8       I don't know -- I really don't understand what  
9       your point is.

10      Q       So there's no other SOS guidance  
11      allowing -- just, like, I guess, you know --  
12      scratch that.

13                   Okay. Is your office expecting an  
14      increase in the use of mail-in ballots by voters  
15      for the next elections, specifically the runoff  
16      primary and the general election, due to concerns  
17      about COVID-19?

18                   MS. MACKIN: I'm going to object to  
19      the form and also to the extent that this  
20      question asks for attorney-client  
21      communications between the office of the  
22      Secretary of State, its personnel, and  
23      their counsel regarding the upcoming  
24      election.

25                   And to the extent that you can

1 answer without revealing attorney-client  
2 privileged information, Keith, you can do  
3 so.

4 THE WITNESS: So we do believe that  
5 mail ballot use is going to increase this  
6 year, yes.

7 BY MR. MIRZA:

8 Q Okay. What preparation --

9 A Let me rephrase that. Let me rephrase  
10 that.

11 We believe it's a possibility that  
12 mail ballot use is going to increase this year,  
13 and we have advised the counties to prepare for  
14 that fact -- to prepare for that expectation.

15 Q I didn't catch the -- I didn't catch the  
16 last part of that answer.

17 A So we believe it's conceivable that mail  
18 ballot use could increase this year, and we have,  
19 in our COVID Advisory 2020-14, advised the  
20 counties to prepare for increased mail ballot use.

21 Q Okay. Has your office taken any  
22 other -- made any other preparations for this  
23 possible increase?

24 MS. MACKIN: And same instruction  
25 with respect to attorney-client privileged

1 information.

2 To the extent that you can answer  
3 without revealing that information, please  
4 do so.

5 THE WITNESS: We have convened an  
6 advisory group of counties -- about, I  
7 don't know, 22, 23 counties -- that we're  
8 having biweekly phone calls with to talk  
9 about ways to prepare for -- one of the  
10 things we're talking about is ways to  
11 prepare for increased mail ballot usage  
12 and whether or not any of the mail ballot  
13 forms should be revised, especially the  
14 size of the envelopes or their appearance  
15 of the envelopes, in order to facilitate  
16 better transmission through the postal  
17 system and cheaper.

18 BY MR. MIRZA:

19 Q And what actions have you recommended  
20 local elections officials take specifically to  
21 manage for an increase in applications?

22 A Well, it's in our 2020-14 advisory.

23 Q Can you generally explain to me what --  
24 what that said?

25 A It says to prepare for an increase.

1 Q But how -- does it explain how they should  
2 explain -- prepare for an increase?

3 A Let's just go read it.

4 Q If you could just tell me based on --

5 A Yeah, I can tell you after I read it.  
6 Thank you.

7 "Because there may be a higher volume  
8 of ballot-by-mail requests in 2020, we strongly  
9 recommend that you review your current supply of  
10 applications, balloting materials, and ballot  
11 stock for future elections. It's important that  
12 you have the necessary supply on hand to meet  
13 increased requests that you may receive."

14 Q Okay. Okay. So during this deposition,  
15 you've reviewed the COVID-19 advisory, the forms  
16 page, and the election -- specific sections of the  
17 election code. Was there anything else you  
18 reviewed while this deposition was going on?

19 A No.

20 Q Have you taken any notes during this  
21 deposition?

22 A I have not.

23 Q Okay. Okay. Let's see.

24 Okay. I'd like to turn back to -- I  
25 think this was 1, 2 -- 1, 2, 3, 4 -- Exhibit 4.

1     **whether -- like, how to --**

2     A       They don't call about --

3     **Q       -- verify signatures?**

4     A       No. That's not what I said, sir.

5     **Q       Okay.**

6     A       They don't call about what a particular  
7     paragraph in the handbook means. They call about  
8     a particular signature on a particular carrier  
9     envelope and whether to accept it or not.

10    **Q       Okay. But what advice do you generally**  
11    **give to them in that case?**

12    A       What we tell them is you're not  
13    handwriting experts, nobody expects you to be a  
14    handwriting expert; that your determination has to  
15    be whether or not they could have been made by the  
16    same person.

17               Now, it could have been made by the  
18    same person. Sometimes I write my signature in a  
19    hurry; sometimes I write it more formally. But  
20    they're pretty clearly both my signature, even  
21    though they're a lot different, but they're  
22    recognizably made by the same person. I said if  
23    you're looking at that, then you should accept it.  
24    You should not be hypertechnical. You should not  
25    expect the signatures to be an exact match.

1 materials.

2 Q Okay. And so when a -- when somebody who  
3 requests a mail-in ballot receives the ballot  
4 materials, what are included in those materials?

5 A They get a "Dear Voter" letter. They get  
6 instructions. They -- if they need to have a  
7 statement of residence, they get a statement of  
8 residence form. If they need to have an ID  
9 provided when they return it, they get a notice to  
10 ID voters. They get the carrier envelope, and  
11 they get a secrecy envelope. I don't know of  
12 anything else.

13 Q And so that mentioned signature comparison  
14 is made in which document out of all those  
15 documents?

16 A The carrier envelope and the application.

17 Q The carrier envelope? Oh, sorry. You cut  
18 out for a second. Can you repeat the answer?

19 A The carrier envelope and the application.

20 Q The carrier envelope and the application,  
21 I think there might be some confusion.

22 The carrier envelope and the  
23 application mention signature -- the signature  
24 verification procedure?

25 A No.

1 Q Okay. So what I'm asking is which one of  
2 the documents that you just listed that a person  
3 who's requested a mail-in ballot receives includes  
4 the mention of the signature verification  
5 procedure?

6 A I believe it's on the instructions, but  
7 let me find it.

8 If we can take a break a minute, I've  
9 got to make a phone call to figure out where these  
10 are.

11 Q Who are you planning to make a phone call  
12 to?

13 A Christina Adkins.

14 Q And the sole purpose of that call is to  
15 figure out where that document is?

16 A So that I can read it.

17 Q Okay. How much of a break will you need?

18 A I don't know. I mean, it's 12:30. I was  
19 hoping I would get to eat sometime today.

20 Q We're pretty close to the end.

21 MS. MACKIN: Hani, what if we just  
22 cover this in the 30(b)(6)?

23 MR. MIRZA: Sure. I think -- I  
24 think that should work.

25 MS. MACKIN: And that way, you



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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
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ELECTIONS ADMINISTRATOR; and )  
PERLA LARA, in her official )  
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TEXAS, SECRETARY, )

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REMOTE VIDEOTAPED DEPOSITION OF  
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I, Rebecca A. Graziano, Certified Shorthand  
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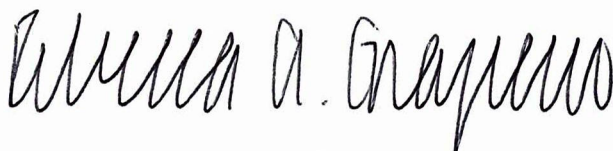
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VUID #, County Election Precinct #,  
Statement of Residence, etc.

1	Last Name (Please print information)	Suffix (Jr., Sr., III, etc)	First Name	Middle Initial
2	Residence Address: See back of this application for instructions.		City	,TX ZIP Code
3	Mail my ballot to: If mailing address differs from residence address, please complete Box # 7.		City	State ZIP Code

4	Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) (Optional) <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> <div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div> <div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div> <div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div> <div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div> </div>	Contact Information (Optional)* Please list phone number <u>and/or</u> email address: * Used in case our office has questions.
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6a	ONLY Voters 65 Years of Age or Older or Voters with a Disability: If applying for one election, select appropriate box. If applying once for elections in the calendar year, select "Annual Application." <input type="checkbox"/> Annual Application <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div> <u>Uniform and Other Elections:</u>  <input type="checkbox"/> May Election  <input type="checkbox"/> November Election  <input type="checkbox"/> Other ____ </div> <div> <u>Primary Elections:</u>  You must declare <u>one</u> political party to vote in a primary:  <input type="checkbox"/> Democratic Primary  <input type="checkbox"/> Republican Primary </div> </div> <input type="checkbox"/> Any Resulting Runoff	8 If you selected "expected absence from the county," see reverse for instructions <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> <div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div> <div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div> <div>—</div> <div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div> <div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div> </div> Date you can begin to receive mail at this address      Date of return to residence address
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TO: EARLY VOTING CLERK



Instructions for Application for Ballot by Mail

**Residence Address** - Give full address as shown on your voter registration certificate. If you have moved within the county but not yet changed your voter registration address with the voter registrar, indicate your new residence address.

**Mail Ballot To** - Give full address where you wish to have ballot mailed, if the address is different from your residence address.

**Mailing Ballot to a Different Address** - Your ballot must be mailed to your home where you live or to your mailing address on your voter registration certificate. There are some exceptions that allow you to have your ballot mailed to a different location as specified below.

Reason for voting by mail	Location to mail ballot
65 or disabled	Nursing home, assisted living/retirement center, relative, hospital
In jail	Address of jail or relative
Absent from county	Address located outside of county

**Expected Absence from County** - If you chose expected absence from county, you must expect to be absent from the county on election day and during the hours of early voting in person or for the remainder of the early voting period after you submit your application. Your ballot must be mailed to an address outside the county. Important: Give date you can begin to receive mail at the address given.

**Annual Application** - If you are 65 years of age or older, or disabled you may apply to receive all ballots by mail for a calendar year. If you do not select any elections in Box 6a, your application will be considered an Annual Application. If you submit an annual application for a ballot by mail, your application may be forwarded to other entities holding elections where you are a qualified voter. This means that you may receive a ballot for those elections in addition to the ballot(s) you requested with this application.

Submitting Application

**1. Sign and date your application** - If unable to sign, please go to Witness/Address boxes (11 on reverse) and have a person witness your mark. Witness/Assistant instructions follow below.

**2. Deliver to Early Voting Clerk** - You may submit your application via these methods:

**In Person:** Only the applicant may submit their application in person to the Early Voting Clerk until the early voting period begins. However, after the early voting period begins for an election, the applicant may only submit their application via mail, common contract carrier, fax, or e-mail.

**By Mail:** You may mail your application via the U.S. Postal Service.

**By Common Contract Carrier:** You may submit via a common or contract carrier which is a bona fide, for profit carrier.

**By Fax:** You may fax your application to the Early Voting Clerk. Please contact your Early Voting Clerk or the Secretary of State's Office for fax numbers.

**By E-Mail:** You may e-mail a signed, scanned image of your application to the Early Voting Clerk. Please contact your Early Voting Clerk or the Secretary of State's Office for e-mail addresses.

**IF YOU FAX OR E-MAIL YOUR APPLICATION TO THE EARLY VOTING CLERK, YOU MUST ALSO MAIL THE APPLICATION SO THAT THE CLERK RECEIVES IT NO LATER THAN THE FOURTH BUSINESS DAY AFTER THE DAY THE CLERK RECEIVED YOUR FAXED OR EMAILED APPLICATION. If you fax or e-mail your application by the deadline noted below, your application will be considered complete and timely as long as the original is received by the early voting clerk by the fourth business day after it was submitted by fax or e-mail.**

Deadline

Your application must be received by the early voting clerk of the local entity conducting the election not later than the 11th day before election day. If the 11th day is a weekend or holiday, the deadline is the first preceding business day. You may submit an application throughout the calendar year, beginning January 1. Please remember that the application must be received not later than the 11th day before the first election in which you seek to vote by mail.

If you submit an Annual Application for Ballot by Mail within 60 days before an election that takes place in the following calendar year, your application will be valid for any election that takes place in the following calendar year, regardless of the fact that your application was submitted prior to the end of the preceding calendar year. This applies to Annual Applications only and not to a regular application for ballot by mail.

Witness/Assistant Section

**Witness:** If you are unable to sign your name (due to a physical disability or illiteracy), the application may be signed at Box #11 for you by a Witness. You must affix your mark to the application in Box #10 or, if you are unable to make a mark, then the Witness must check the appropriate box in 11 indicating his inability to make a mark. The Witness must state his/her name in printed form and indicate his/her relationship to you or, if unrelated, state that fact. The Witness must sign and provide his or her printed name and residence address. Unless the Witness is a close relative of the voter (parent, grandparent, spouse, child or sibling), it is a Class B misdemeanor for a person to witness more than one application for ballot by mail.

**Assistant:** If a person (other than a close relative or person registered to vote at the same address) assists you in completing this application in your presence or mails/faxes/e-mails this application on your behalf, then that person must complete Box #11. The Assistant must sign, provide his or her printed name, and his or her residence address. A person commits a Class A misdemeanor if the person provides assistance without providing the information described above unless a close relative or registered at your address.

If you have further questions or need additional assistance, please contact your Early Voting Clerk or The Secretary of State's office at 1-800-252-8683 or [www.sos.state.tx.us](http://www.sos.state.tx.us).

# Exhibit 4

# **EARLY VOTING BALLOT BOARD & SIGNATURE VERIFICATION COMMITTEE**

## **Handbook for Election Judges and Clerks 2020**

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## INTRODUCTION

The Elections Division of the Secretary of State's Office has prepared this handbook for an overview of the Early Voting Ballot Board and Signature Verification Committee. This handbook contains a thorough outline of who is able to serve as part of the Early Voting Ballot Board, who is able to serve on the Signature Verification Committee, convening the board/committee, qualifying ballots and counting ballot procedures for the Early Voting Ballot Board and Signature Verification Committee. It incorporates changes in election laws through the regular session of the 86th Texas Legislature (2019).

The handbook starts at the selection process of the Early Voting Ballot Board and Signature Verification Committee, whether it is for a Primary, General, or a Political Subdivisions Election. Throughout the handbook, references are made to the appropriate section in the Texas Election Code or the Texas Administrative Code, unless otherwise indicated. Information in *italics* relates to primary elections.

The Elections Division of the Secretary of State's Office is open during the hours that the polls are open for voting on all uniform election dates. Answers to questions on election law and procedures may be obtained by telephoning the Elections Division toll-free at 1-800-252-2216 or (512) 463-5650.

Please visit us at our Internet home page for additional election information at <http://www.sos.state.tx.us>.

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## CHAPTER 1

### CREATION OF THE EARLY VOTING BALLOT BOARD & SIGNATURE VERIFICATION COMMITTEE

#### SECTION A. COMPOSITION OF THE EVBB

1. An early voting ballot board (EVBB) shall be created in each election to process early voting results from the territory served by the early voting clerk. [87.001] No matter what type of election an entity is having, they must have an early voting ballot board.
2. The EVBB consists of a presiding judge and at least two other members. The presiding judge of the EVBB is appointed in the same manner as a presiding election judge. Except in the general election for state and county officers, each county chair of a political party with nominees on the general election ballot shall submit to the county election board a list of names of persons eligible to serve on the early voting ballot board. The county election board shall appoint at least one person from each list to serve as a member of the early voting ballot board. The same number of members must be appointed from each list. The other members are appointed by the presiding judge in the same manner as the precinct election clerks. In addition to the members appointed under the general election, the county election board shall appoint the presiding judge from the list provided under that subsection by the political party whose nominee for governor received the most votes in the county in the most recent gubernatorial general election. [87.002]

**NOTE:** If the county has an elections administrator, or if commissioner's court has transferred the election duties of the county clerk to the county tax assessor collector, he/she will serve as the county election board chair in place of the county clerk. (31.043, 31.072 & 31.073)

**Recommend:** We recommend that the county election board appoint the members of the early voting ballot board for the November 3, 2020 no later than October 1, 2020, to allow time for notice requirements.

Type of Election	Presiding Judge	EVBB Clerks
General Election for State and County Officers	County Election Board --from list provided by political party whose nominee for Gov received the most votes in the county	County Election Board -- from lists provided by political parties (same number from each list)
Primary Elections	County Chair of Political Party with approval of County Executive Committee	Presiding Judge of EVBB
All Other County ordered elections	Commissioner's Court if no County Election Board is established	Presiding Judge of EVBB
All other Elections	Authority ordering election	Presiding Judge of EVBB

3. To be eligible for appointment to the early voting ballot board, a person must meet the requirements for eligibility for service as a presiding election judge, [32.051] except that the appointee must be a qualified voter of the territory served by the early voting clerk and is not required to be a qualified voter of any other particular territory. [87.003]
4. An EVBB member would be ineligible if, they hold public elective office, opposed candidate in election on the same day, related to an opposed candidate within 2nd degree by blood or marriage, or serving as campaign treasurer/campaign manager for candidate in election.
5. Required Oaths by Early Voting Ballot Board Members: All EVBB members should recite this oath, prior to beginning service on the Board. [87.006]

For use in Joint Primary Elections, General Election for State and County Officers, Elections ordered by the Governor:

"I swear (or affirm) that I will objectively work to be sure every eligible voter's vote is accepted and counted, and that only the ballots of those voters who violated the Texas Election Code will be rejected. I will make every effort to correctly reflect the voter's intent when it can be clearly determined. I will not work alone when ballots are present and will work only in the presence of a member of a political party different from my own. I will faithfully perform my duty as an officer of the election and guard the purity of the election."

For use in all Separate Primary Elections and Other Elections that do not contain Party Affiliation:

"I swear (or affirm) that I will objectively work to be sure every eligible voter's vote is accepted and counted, and that only the ballots of those voters who violated the Texas Election Code will be rejected. I will make every effort to correctly reflect the voter's intent when it can be clearly determined. I will not work alone when ballots are present. I will faithfully perform my duty as an officer of the election and guard the purity of the election. "

## **SECTION B. COMPOSITION OF A SIGNATURE VERIFICATION COMMITTEE**

1. Unlike an EVBB that is mandatory, a Signature Verification Committee (SVC) may be created. There are two ways for this committee to be created. The first way is through the early voting clerk. The early voting clerk has authority for determining whether a signature verification committee is needed. The second way is through a petition that is submitted to the early voting clerk. The petition must contain at least 15 registered voters in the territory in order for the committee to be created. The SVC must consist of not fewer than five members. If more than 12 members are appointed to serve on the signature verification committee, the early voting clerk may designate two or more subcommittees of not less than six members. [87.027]
2. In an election in which party alignment is indicated on the ballot, each county chair of a political party with a nominee or aligned candidate on the ballot shall submit to the appointing authority a list of names of persons eligible to serve on the signature verification committee. The authority shall appoint at least two persons from each list to serve as members of the committee. The same number of members must be appointed from each list. The authority shall appoint the chair of the committee from the list provided by the political party whose nominee for governor received the most votes in the county in the most recent gubernatorial general election. [87.027(d)]

3. The signature verification committee is a group that meets prior to election day to compare the signatures on the applications for ballot by mail to the corresponding carrier envelopes. (87.027) If the early voting clerk determines that a signature verification committee is desirable **or** if the clerk receives a petition signed by 15 registered voters, the clerk shall issue a written order creating the committee. The deadline to submit a petition requesting creation of a signature verification committee for the November 3, 2020 is October 1, 2020. (87.027, 1.006) A request submitted by mail is considered submitted at the time of its receipt by the early voting clerk. The early voting clerk determines the number of members on the committee, providing for a minimum of five (the committee chair and four members). The county election board appoints the members. The party chairs, including the county chairs of the Libertarian and Green Party of Texas, submit lists of eligible persons for appointment to the committee.
4. In order to serve on the committee, a person must be a qualified voter of the entity. **IT is NOT RECOMMENDED that members that serve on the EVBB serve on the SVC. This creates a conflict because if a SVC has determined that the signatures are not those of the same person, the EVBB may make a determination that the signatures are those of the same person by a majority vote of the board's membership. [87.027(j)]**

The county chairs' lists for the appointment of the signature verification committee members are not subject to the June 30th or the July 30th deadline. The county elections board shall appoint the members of the signature verification committee not later than the 5th day after the date the early voting clerk issues the order calling for the creation of the committee OR not later than October 15, 2020, if the committee is created after a valid petition was submitted requesting its creation. We recommend that the signature verification committee be appointed (if needed) by October 10, 2020, to allow time for all necessary notice requirements. Therefore, we recommend that the parties submit the lists to the chair of the county elections board (county clerk or elections administrator) by August 29, 2020, to allow for appointment during the month of September or no later than the October 10, 2020 recommended date. The chair of the signature verification committee is appointed from the list of the party whose candidate for governor received the highest vote in the 2018 gubernatorial election countywide. For the remaining members, the county election board must select at least two qualified individuals from each chair's list. If clerks beyond the minimum requirement are ordered, an equal number must be chosen from each list.

Type of Election	Chair	SVC Clerks
General Election for State and County Officers	County Election Board appoints who is the chair, in an election for which the board is established -- from list provided by the county chairs	County Election Board appoints, in an election for which the board is established --from list provided by the county chairs
Primary Elections	County Chair of Political Party with approval of County Executive Committee	County Chair of Political Party with approval of County Executive Committee
All Other County ordered elections	Commissioner's Court	Commissioner's Court
All other Elections	Authority ordering election	Authority ordering election

## CHAPTER 2

### SIGNATURE VERIFICATION COMMITTEE CONVENES

#### SECTION A. CONVENING THE SIGNATURE VERIFICATION COMMITTEE

1. The early voting clerk shall determine the place, day or days, and hours of operation of the signature verification committee and shall state that information in the order calling for the committee's appointment. A committee may not begin operating before the 20th day before election day. [87.027(f)]
2. The early voting clerk shall post a copy of the order calling for the appointment of the signature verification committee. The copy must remain posted continuously for at least 10 days before the first day the committee meets. [Sec. 87.027(g)]
3. The committee must complete the following tasks:
  - (a) Compare the signature on each carrier envelope certificate (except those signed for a voter by a witness, with the signature on the voter's ballot application to determine whether the signatures are those of the voter). [87.027(i)] The signature verification committee may use electronic copies of the mail ballot application and carrier envelope certificate for comparing signatures.
  - (b) The committee may also compare the signatures with any two or more signatures of the voter made within the preceding six years and on file with the county clerks or voter registrar to determine whether the signatures are those of the voter. If ballot materials or ballot applications are recorded electronically as provided by Section 87.126, the signature verification committee may use an electronic copy of a carrier envelope certificate or the voter's ballot application in making the comparison under Section 87.027(i).
  - (c) Rejection of signatures must be made by a majority vote of the committee. [87.027(i)]
  - (d) The only purpose of the SVC is to compare signatures the EVBB will count the ballot. **THE SVC SHOULD NOT BE COUNTING BALLOTS.** [87.027(j)]

#### SECTION B. DELIVERY OF MATERIALS TO THE COMMITTEE

1. If a signature verification committee is appointed for the election, the early voting clerk shall deliver the jacket envelopes containing the early voting ballots voted by mail to the committee instead of to the early voting ballot board. [Sec. 87.027(h)]
2. The following notices must be posted on an entity's website if available: (HB 933 86R)
  - a. Copy of order calling for the appointment
  - b. EV Clerk's notice of names and addresses of members
  - c. Notice of delivery of ballots
3. Deliveries may be made only during the period of the committee's operation at times scheduled in advance of delivery by the early voting clerk. The clerk shall post notice of the time of each delivery. The notice must remain posted continuously for at least two days before the date of the delivery. [87.027(h)]
4. Postings shall be made on the bulletin board used for posting notice of meetings of the commissioners court, in an election for which the county election board is established or a primary election, or of the governing body of the political subdivision in other elections. [Sec. 87.027(k)]



5. The committee chair or committee members may request from the voter registrar, county clerk, or election administrator ahead of time signatures that are on file from the past six years. This does not have to be done ahead of time, however our office recommends in order to give the voter registrar, county clerk or election administrator ample time. This may be provided electronically.
6. In 2017, SB 5 85 R removed the prohibition against the committee using the registration application signature to determine that the signatures are not those of the same person. The bill authorizes the early voting ballot board or signature verification committee to compare a voter's signature on a ballot application or carrier envelope certificate with two or more signatures of the voter made within the preceding six years and on file with the county clerk, in addition to the board's existing authority to make such a comparison with signatures on file with the voter registrar, to determine whether the signatures are those of the same person. The bill removes the prohibition against the board using such signatures on file to determine that the signatures are not those of the same person. The board or the committee may now use the signatures to determine if they are or if they are not that of the same person.
7. The committee compares signatures on applications and corresponding carrier envelopes only to determine that the signatures on these documents are of the same person or not. [Sec. 87.027(i)]. The signature verification committee may use electronic copies of the mail ballot application and carrier envelope certificate for comparing signatures. The standard should be whether the two signatures could have been made by the same person. If using electronic signatures to compare, please have a plan in place and use that procedure throughout the duration.
8. The committee places carrier envelopes and applications that are the signatures of the same person in one container and those that are not of the same person in another separate container.
9. Committee chair delivers sorted materials to the Board as directed by the presiding judge of the Board.
10. If the signature verification committee has decided that the signatures are from the same person, the Board may not override the committee's decision. If the signature verification committee has decided that the signatures are not from the same person, the Board may override the committee's decision that the signatures are of the same person by a majority vote of the Board. [Sec. 87.027(j)]
11. A determination that signatures are not from the same person must be made by a majority vote of the committee or subcommittee as applicable. If the early voting clerk has designated subcommittees within the signature verification committee, the subcommittee makes its signature determinations by a majority vote of the subcommittee members. [Sec. 87.027(l)] There is nothing in the Election Code that states what constitutes a majority vote. This may be something that is discussed among the committee to determine what constitutes a majority vote. Please note that if the committee has determined what constitutes a majority vote, that the committee use that process throughout the entire process.
12. The Board makes a determination if the signature verification committee cannot determine whether the signatures are made by the same person.
13. **Convening the Committee after election day.** The early voting clerk may determine whether or not the committee will need to reconvene after election day to verify signatures or leave that authority with the early voting ballot board. We recommend that this decision be done prior to election day. If the authority is left with the committee we recommend that the committee coordinates with the board and the early voting clerk for delivery of the jacket envelope ballots by mail.

### SECTION C. RECEIPT FOR DELIVERY

1. Upon delivery of a sealed early voting ballot box, the committee chair of the signature verification committee must inspect the box to determine whether the seals on the box are intact, and whether the numbers on the seals correspond to the numbers indicated on the record of serial numbers prepared by the early voting clerk. [Secs. 87.062(b), 127.068]
2. If the seals are intact and the numbers match, the committee chair should accept the ballot box and so indicate on the receipt.
3. If the seals are not intact or the numbers do not match, the committee chair should accept the ballot box, but note any discrepancies on the receipt and in his or her records.

### SECTION D. SECURITY OF EARLY VOTING BALLOTS

1. The voted early voting ballots must be secured from the last day of voting by personal appearance at a polling place until the day the ballots are counted. [T.A.C. Sec. 81.34]
  - a. If the signature verification meets before election day, the committee chair shall, upon each adjournment of the board, lock and seal each ballot box prior to delivering the boxes back to the custodian of records. The chair shall complete a ballot box security form indicating each serial number used to seal each box. The form shall be signed by the chair and another committee member who has witnessed the procedure. In a general election for state and county officers, the committee member must be from a different political party than the judge. The custodian of records shall also sign the form.
  - b. The committee chair shall deliver the key(s) used to lock the ballot box(es) to the custodian. The key shall be retained by the authority designated in accordance with Section 66.060(a) of the Code:
    - (1) the sheriff for an election ordered by the governor or county authority or *a primary election*, except that in a year when the office of sheriff is on the ballot, the key shall be delivered to the county judge. When both these offices are on the ballot, the key shall be delivered to the county auditor or to a designated member of the commissioners court who is not on the ballot and who is appointed by the court, if the county does not have an auditor;
    - (2) the chief of police or city marshal for an election ordered by a city authority; or
    - (3) the constable of the justice precinct in which the office of the political subdivision is located, or if the office of constable is vacant, the sheriff of the county in which the political subdivision is located if the election is ordered by an authority of a political subdivision other than a city or county.
  - c. Upon reconvening the committee, the chair shall ensure that each ballot box is intact. The chair shall follow these procedures each day except upon final delivery to the custodian of records or delivery to the central counting station.
  - d. If it is impracticable for the chair to deliver the ballot boxes each day upon adjournment, the authority conducting the election shall submit an alternate security procedure to the Secretary of State for approval.



## CHAPTER 3

### THE EARLY VOTING BALLOT BOARD CONVENES

#### SECTION A. CONVENING THE EARLY VOTING BALLOT BOARD

1. The Early Voting Ballot Board (the “Board”) generally meets twice during an election. First, the Board meets to qualify ballots by mail on election day or after the last day to vote early by personal appearance. Second, the Board meets after election day to review any provisional ballots and to qualify any mail-in ballots received by the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> day after election day from voters casting a ballot from outside the U.S. or military voters who located outside the voter’s home county and is on active duty or a spouse of a military person on active duty .
2. The board must convene to complete the following tasks:
  - (a) Qualify and Process Regular Ballots by Mail
  - (b) Qualify and Process Late Ballots (old and new categories)
  - (c) Qualify and Process Provisional Ballots
3. Convening the Board on election day or after early voting by personal appearance ends.

Except as provided below, the Board may meet to qualify and accept ballots at any time after the end of the early voting by personal appearance, but may not count votes until the polls open on election day. [Secs. 87.024-87.0241]

#### NOTES:

- General rule: May convene at the end of Early Voting by Personal Appearance (3<sup>rd</sup> day before) to qualify ballots.
- In elections conducted by a county with a population of 100,000 or more and elections held jointly with such a county, the Board may meet to qualify and accept voted mail ballots beginning the end of the 9<sup>th</sup> day before the last day of the period of early voting.
- If there is a central counting station that has been established, then the ballots will not be sent to the ballot board, but rather to central count.
- The Board like the Committee may also compare signatures with any two or more signatures of the voter made within the preceding six years and on file with the voter registrar.

In 2017, SB 5 85 R removed the prohibition against the board using the registration application signature to determine that the signatures are not those of the same person. The bill authorizes the early voting ballot board or signature verification committee to compare a voter's signature on a ballot application or carrier envelope certificate with two or more signatures of the voter made within the preceding six years and on file with the county clerk, in addition to the board's existing authority to make such a comparison with signatures on file with the voter registrar, to determine whether the signatures are those of the same person. The bill removes the prohibition against the board using such signatures on file to determine that the signatures are not those of the same person. The board or the committee may now use the signatures to determine if they are or if they are not that of the same person.

4. Convening the Board after election day.

- a. The Board cannot convene until the 6th day after an election because voters that did not have a valid form of identification when voting have 6 days to: (1) present to the voter registrar a valid photo identification, (2) complete one of the two curing affidavits set out in Section 65.054(b)(2)(B) (consistent religious objection to photographs) or Section 65.054(b)(2)(C) (identification unavailable due to declared natural disaster), or (3) apply for and receive a disability exemption. A board may convene earlier but continue on a rolling basis until the 6<sup>th</sup> day.
- b. In an election held on the date of the general election for state and county officers, the Board must convene no later than the 13th day after the date of the election to count provisional ballots.
- c. In all other elections held on dates other than the date of the general election for state and county officers, the Board must convene no later than the 9th day to complete the review of provisional ballots.
- d. The Board shall convene on the 9th day after election day or earlier if the early voting clerk certifies that all ballots from outside of the U.S. have been received and all provisional ballots have been processed by the voter registrar. [Sec. 87.125] If this date falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal state or national holiday, the Board convenes on the next regular business day. [Sec. 87.125(c)].
- e. *For Primary and Primary Runoff Elections-not earlier than 6 p.m. on the second Tuesday or later than 1 p.m. on the second Friday after election day at the hour specified by the county chair.*

**NOTE:** From time to time, the office of the Secretary of State will amend this time period by administrative rule. See T.A.C. Sec. 81.33.

SEE CHAPTER 7 FOR RECONVENING OF BALLOT BOARD FOR THE PROCESSING AND COUNTING OF PROVISIONAL AND OVERSEAS LATE BALLOTS.

## **SECTION B. DELIVERY OF MATERIALS TO THE BOARD**

1. The board should obtain from the authority conducting the election a package of supplies, including the following forms:
  - a. Oath of Election Judges and Clerks; [Sec. 62.003]
 

"I swear (or affirm) that I will not in any manner request or seek to persuade or induce any voter to vote for or against any candidate or measure to be voted on, and that I will faithfully perform my duty as an officer of the election and guard the purity of the election."
  - b. Poll List of Early Voting by Mail Voters or Voters Voting by Mail Procedure; [Sec. 87.021]
  - c. List of Early Voting Provisional Voters; [T.A.C. Sec. 81.172 – 81.174]
  - d. List of Provisional Voters Who Presented Proper Identification to Voter Registrar; [Sec. 65.0541]
  - e. Envelope for Rejected Early Voting Ballots; [Sec. 87.043]
  - f. Tally Sheets; [Sec. 65.004]
  - g. Return Sheets; [Sec. 65.014]
  - h. Envelopes for distribution of returns and election records; [Sec. 66.003]
  - i. Statement of Compensation; [Sec. 32.094]
  - j. List of "ID" Voters; and
  - k. Notice of Delivery of Ballots Voted by Mail (if delivered prior to the opening of the polls.
2. The early voting clerk delivers to the board:

- a. Each ballot box containing ballots voted by personal appearance;
  - b. List of Declared Write-In Candidates (if applicable);
  - c. The early voting clerk's key to each ballot box;
  - d. The jacket envelopes containing ballots voted by mail and the corresponding applications;
  - e. The list of registered voters, containing voters' permanent and mailing addresses of record, used in conducting early voting;
  - f. Notice of Rejection of Early Voted Ballots (to be completed by Judge of Ballot Board);
  - g. The ballot transmittal form for early voted ballots; and
  - h. Receipt for each ballot box, to be completed when box received.
3. The custodian of the key to the second lock on the ballot boxes containing ballots voted by personal appearance must deliver his or her key to the presiding officer of the early voting ballot board at his or her request if the Board will be hand counting personal appearance ballots. [Sec. 87.025]
  4. If ballots will be counted electronically at the central counting station, then:
    - The key and the unopened ballot box should be delivered to the central counting station at the direction of the presiding judge of the central counting station and not to the ballot board, since the law prohibits the ballot board judge from opening the early voting by personal appearance ballot boxes containing ballots that are to be counted by automatic tabulating equipment at a central counting station. [Sec. 87.101]
    - If accessible voting equipment (such as direct record electronic equipment ("DREs")) or precinct count optical scan equipment was used for early voting, the ballot board should not process the early voting by personal appearance ballot boxes or voting machines.
  5. The custodian of the key is:
    - for county elections, the county sheriff, unless the sheriff is on the ballot, in which case the key is kept by the county judge. If both the sheriff and the county judge are on the ballot, the key is kept by the county auditor, or if there is no county auditor, by a member of the commissioners court, named by the court, who is not on the ballot.
    - for city elections, the chief of police or city marshal.
    - for elections of other political subdivisions, the constable of the justice precinct in which the office of the political subdivision's governing body is located, or if there is no constable in that precinct, the sheriff. [Sec. 66.060(a)]
  6. Notice of each delivery to be made prior to the time the polls open on election day must be posted at the main early voting polling place for at least 24 hours immediately preceding the delivery. [Secs. 87.023(b), 87.024(b)]
  7. In the general election for state and county officers, if ballots are to be delivered before election day, the early voting clerk must notify the county chair of each political party with a nominee on the ballot at least 24 hours before the first delivery is made. [Secs. 87.023(c), 87.024(c)]

### **SECTION C. RECEIPT FOR DELIVERY**

1. Upon delivery of a sealed early voting ballot box, the presiding judge of the early voting ballot board must inspect the box to determine whether the seals on the box are intact, and whether the numbers on the seals

correspond to the numbers indicated on the record of serial numbers prepared by the early voting clerk. [Secs. 87.062(b), 127.068]

2. If the seals are intact and the numbers match, the presiding judge should accept the ballot box and so indicate on the receipt.
3. If the seals are not intact or the numbers do not match, the presiding judge should accept the ballot box, but note any discrepancies on the receipt and in his or her records.

#### **SECTION D. SECURITY OF EARLY VOTING BALLOTS**

1. The voted early voting ballots must be secured from the last day of voting by personal appearance at a polling place until the day the ballots are counted. [T.A.C. Sec. 81.34]
  - a. If the early voting ballot board convenes before election day, the presiding judge shall, upon each adjournment of the board, lock and seal each ballot box prior to delivering the boxes back to the custodian of records. The judge shall complete a ballot box security form indicating each serial number used to seal each box. The form shall be signed by the judge and another early voting ballot board member who has witnessed the procedure. In a general election for state and county officers, the early voting ballot board member must be from a different political party than the judge. The custodian of records shall also sign the form.
  - c. The presiding judge shall deliver the key(s) used to lock the ballot box(es) to the custodian. The key shall be retained by the authority designated in accordance with Section 66.060(a) of the Code:
    - (1) the sheriff for an election ordered by the governor or county authority or *a primary election*, except that in a year when the office of sheriff is on the ballot, the key shall be delivered to the county judge. When both these offices are on the ballot, the key shall be delivered to the county auditor or to a designated member of the commissioners court who is not on the ballot and who is appointed by the court, if the county does not have an auditor;
    - (2) the chief of police or city marshal for an election ordered by a city authority; or
    - (3) the constable of the justice precinct in which the office of the political subdivision is located, or if the office of constable is vacant, the sheriff of the county in which the political subdivision is located if the election is ordered by an authority of a political subdivision other than a city or county.
  - c. Upon reconvening the ballot board, the presiding judge shall ensure that each ballot box is intact. The presiding judge shall follow these procedures each day except upon final delivery to the custodian of records.
  - e. If it is impracticable for the ballot board judge to deliver the ballot boxes each day upon adjournment, the authority conducting the election shall submit an alternate security procedure to the Secretary of State for approval.

## **CHAPTER 4**

### **QUALIFYING BALLOTS VOTED BY MAIL OR VOTED USING MAIL PROCEDURES**

#### **SECTION A. TYPES OF EARLY VOTING BALLOT APPLICATIONS**

The early voting ballot board may encounter several types of applications for early voting ballots. There is not only one form that may be used. They include:

1. The “Application for Ballot by Mail” prescribed by the Secretary of State. [Secs. 84.001(a), 84.011]
2. An informal application for a ballot by mail, which is a written request by the applicant that is not made on the official application form prescribed by the Secretary of State. This application must comply with the statutory requirements for applying for a ballot by mail. [Sec. 84.001(c)]
3. The “Application for Limited Ballot” prescribed by the Secretary of State. [Sec. 112.005]
4. The “Federal Post Card Application” (FPCA) used by military and overseas citizen voters. [Sec. 101.003]
5. The “Application for Presidential Ballot” prescribed by the Secretary of State (only applicable in elections held in November of the presidential election year). [Sec. 113.003]
6. The “Application for Emergency Late Ballot Due to Sickness or Physical Disability” prescribed by the Secretary of State. [Sec. 102.002]
7. The “Application for Emergency Late Ballot Due to Death” prescribed by the Secretary of State. [Sec. 103.002]
8. The “Affidavit for Voting at Main Early Voting Place on Election Day” prescribed by the Secretary of State for voting by disabled voters when electronic voting equipment is being used at the precinct polling place. [Sec. 104.002]

#### **SECTION B. VALID REASONS FOR VOTING EARLY BY MAIL**

Only the following persons may vote early by mail:

1. Persons who are 65 years of age or older on election day. [Sec. 82.003]
2. Persons who have a sickness or physical condition that prevents them from appearing at the polling place on election day without a likelihood of needing personal assistance or injuring their health. Expected or likely confinement for childbirth on election day is sufficient cause to entitle a voter to vote early by mail on the ground of disability. [Sec. 82.002]
3. Persons who are confined in jail at the time the application is submitted must be either:
  - a. serving a misdemeanor sentence that ends on or after election day; or
  - b. pending trial or appeal after denial of bail or if release on bail is unlikely until after election day. [Sec. 82.004]
4. Persons who expect to be absent from the county on election day and during regular early voting hours for that part of the period for early voting remaining after the application is made. [Sec. 82.001] If this reason for voting early is checked, the address to which the ballot was mailed must be an address outside the county. [Sec. 86.003(c)(1)]
5. Persons who are certified for participation in the address confidentiality program.
  - a. An application for ballot by mail submitted by a person eligible under Section 82.007 must include:

- i. the name and address at which the person is registered to vote;
  - ii. the substitute post office box designated by the attorney general for the person's use in place of the true residential address; and
  - iii. an indication for each election for which the person is applying for a ballot.
- b. The information on an application for ballot by mail submitted by a voter related to the **address at which the voter is registered is confidential**, except that it must be disclosed if requested by a law enforcement agency or required under a court order. This application is good for 3 years.

### SECTION C. QUALIFYING EARLY VOTING BALLOTS VOTED BY MAIL

1. Each jacket envelope will contain:
  - a. an application for an early ballot to be voted by mail (or one of the other application procedures in Section A above that uses mail procedures) [Secs. 86.011(b), (c)]; If FPCA was submitted, jacket envelope must include a copy of the FPCA and the signature cover sheet.
  - b. the envelope in which the application was delivered to the early voting clerk, if applicable; and
  - c. the carrier envelope, which will contain:
    - a ballot envelope with the ballot inside; and
    - statements of residence, copy of identification, or other requested items, if applicable. [Sec. 86.002]
2. Remove the application and carrier envelope from the jacket envelope.
3. Check the voter's application to be sure that it states a legal ground for voting early by mail (See Section B above). [Sec. 87.041(b)(3)]
4. If the reason for voting early by mail is absence from the county, the application must show an address outside the county to which the ballot was mailed. [Sec. 87.041(b)(5)]

**NOTE:** If the application was submitted after the period for early voting by personal appearance began, the application must show that the voter was absent from the county when the application was submitted. A voter checking expected absence from county and providing an out of county address on the official application is sufficient.

5. If the grounds for voting by mail is either being 65 or over, or disability, and the applicant has not provided his or her official mailing address as shown on the list of registered voters as the address for mailing his or her ballot, the address provided must be that of a hospital, nursing home, other long term care facility, retirement center, or the address of a relative within the second degree of affinity or third degree of consanguinity with whom the applicant is living. [Sec. 86.003(c)(3)]
6. If the reason for voting early by mail is confinement in jail, the address to which the balloting materials must be addressed is that of the jail facility or a relative within the second degree of affinity or third degree of consanguinity. [Sec. 86.003(c)(2)]
7. Check to make sure that the address to which the ballot was mailed is one of the following:
  - a. the voter's residence or mailing address indicated on the voter's registration record;
  - b. the facility that the voter is residing at if the voter has indicated on his or her application to vote by mail that the reason for voting is 65 years of age or older or disability and has provided a mailing address that does not match the voter's official residence or mailing address; the facility must be one of the following:

(1) hospital;



(2) nursing home or long-term care facility;

(3) retirement center; or

(4) relative that is related to the voter by 2<sup>nd</sup> degree of affinity (by marriage) or the 3<sup>rd</sup> degree of consanguinity. Relatives include: parent, child, brother, sister, grandparent, grandchild, great-grandchild, great-grandparent, uncle, aunt, nephew, niece, spouse, spouse's parent, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, brother's spouse, sister's spouse, spouse's brother, spouse's sister and spouse's grandparent.

c. the jail facility, if the reason for voting by mail is confinement in jail, or the address of a relative listed in Section C. 7. b. above.

d. an address outside of the county, if the reason for voting by mail is expected absence from the county.

e. the voter's new address as provided on the enclosed statement of residence if the voter has moved within the county but has failed to update his address with the county voter registrar and is having a ballot mailed to a new residence address. [Secs. 84.002, 86.002, 86.003, 87.041]

**NOTE:** Please note that all though you will be looking to ensure that the ballot was mailed to an address, you will not be determining where the voter mails back their ballot. You should not be looking at the delivery postmark.

8. Check the list of registered voters to ensure applicant is a registered voter. [Sec. 87.041(b)(4)]

**Note:** Due to various address confidentiality laws, some voters will not have a residential address next to their name on the list of registered voters.

a. If an "S" notation appears next to a voter's name on the list of registered voters, or if the residence address on the application for ballot by mail does not match the residence address on the list of registered voters, the carrier envelope will be stamped "STATEMENT ENCLOSED." The voter's ballot may NOT be accepted UNLESS a completed, signed Statement of Residence is included in the carrier envelope. If a completed Statement of Residence is not enclosed, the ballot must be rejected. [Sec. 87.041(b)(6)]

b. If an "ID" notation appears next to a voter's name on the list of registered voters, the voter's ballot may NOT be accepted unless the voter encloses a copy of one of the documents listed below that establishes the voter's identity:

(1) Texas Driver's License issued by the Department of Public Safety ("DPS");

(2) Texas Election Certificate issued by DPS;

(3) Texas Personal Identification Card issued by DPS;

(4) Texas Handgun License issued by DPS;

(5) United States Military Identification Card containing the person's photograph;

(6) United States Citizenship Certificate containing the person's photograph; or

(7) United States Passport.

**NOTE:** For voter's who are between 18-60 the above ID's may be expired for up to 4 years. For a voter who is 70 years of age or older the above ID may be more 4 years old. Please note some ID's do not have expiration dates such as a Texas Identification Cards for persons aged 60 or older may be permanent and marked "INDEF;" Texas Election Identification Certificates (EIC) for persons aged 70 or older are permanent cards; Some military ID cards are permanent, including Uniformed Services ID cards and Veterans Affairs ID cards. These

are usually marked “INDEF;” and Certificates of Naturalization and Certificates of Citizenship do not expire.

**If a voter does not possess, and cannot reasonably obtain one of the above acceptable forms of photo identification, the voter may also enclose a copy of one of the supporting forms of identification listed below that establishes the voter’s identity along with a signed Reasonable Impediment Declaration:**

- copy or original of a government document that shows the voter’s name and an address, including the voter’s voter registration certificate (other examples of government documents include, but are not limited to: driver’s licenses from other states, ID cards issued by federally recognized Native American tribes (if the ID card contains an address), DPS Receipts (without a photo), expired voter registration certificates, and, for voters aged 18-69, expired Texas DPS-issued driver licenses or personal ID cards);
- copy of or original current utility bill;
- copy of or original bank statement;
- copy of or original government check;
- copy of or original paycheck; or
- copy of or original of (a) a certified domestic (from a U.S. state or territory) birth certificate or (b) a document confirming birth admissible in a court of law which establishes the voter’s identity (which may include a foreign birth document).

**NOTE: The address on either a supporting form of ID or an acceptable photo identification does not need to match the address on the list of registered voters.**

**\*If a voter does not have a valid form of photo identification, they may apply for a free election identification certificate at their local Texas Department of Public Safety office. Reminder: (a) if a voter does not possess one of the seven (7) acceptable forms of photo identification, which, for voters aged 18-69, is not expired for more than four years, or, for voters aged 70 and older, may be expired for any length of time but is otherwise valid, and the voter can reasonably obtain one of these forms of identification or (b) if the voter possesses, but did not bring to the polling place, one of the seven forms of acceptable photo identification, which, for voters aged 18-69, is not expired for more than four years, or, for voters aged 70 and older, may be expired for any length of time but is otherwise valid, or (c) if the voter does not possess one of the seven forms of acceptable photo identification, which, for voters aged 18-69, is not expired for more than four years, or, for voters aged 70 and older, may be expired for any length of time but is otherwise valid, could otherwise not reasonably obtain one, but did not bring a supporting form of identification to the polling place; and the voter does not have a permanent disability exemption indicated on their voter registration certificates, the voter may cast a provisional ballot at the polls.**

**Exemption:** Voters with a disability may apply with the county voter registrar for a permanent exemption. The application must contain written documentation from either the U.S. Social Security Administration evidencing the applicant’s disability, or from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs evidencing a disability rating of at least 50 percent. In addition, the applicant must state that he or she has no valid form of photo identification. Those who obtain a disability exemption will be allowed to vote by presenting a voter registration certificate reflecting the exemption.

**Provisional Voting:** If a voter (a) does not possess one of the seven (7) acceptable forms of photo



identification, which, for voters aged 18-69, is not expired for more than four years, or, for voters aged 70 and older, may be expired for any length of time but is otherwise valid, and the voter can reasonably obtain one of these forms of identification or (b) possesses, but did not bring to the polling place, one of the seven forms of acceptable photo identification, which, for voters aged 18-69, is not expired for more than four years, or, for voters aged 70 and older, may be expired for any length of time but is otherwise valid, or (c) if the voter does not possess one of the seven forms of acceptable photo identification, which, for voters aged 18-69, is not expired for more than four years, or, for voters aged 70 and older, may be expired for any length of time but is otherwise valid, could otherwise not reasonably obtain one, but did not bring a supporting form of identification to the polling place; and the voter did not present a voter registration certificate with a permanent disability exemption indicated on their voter registration certificate, the voter may cast a provisional ballot at the polls.

The voter will have six (6) calendar days after election day (1) present to the voter registrar an acceptable form of photo identification; (2) if the voter does not possess and cannot reasonably obtain one of the acceptable forms of photo identification, execute a Reasonable Impediment Declaration and present to the voter registrar an acceptable form of supporting identification; (3) complete one of the curing affidavits (consistent religious objection to being photographed or natural disaster exception), if applicable or (4) qualify for a permanent disability exemption, if applicable.

- c. An application from a voter who is accepted into the Address Confidentiality Program must also include their substitute P.O. Box designated by the Attorney General and an indication for each election for which the person is applying for a ballot. This application is good for 3 years, unlike a regular ABBM application.
- d. Certain persons may vote even though they are not registered to vote in your county and their names do not appear on your list of registered voters. They are:
  - (1) Persons applying on Federal Post Card Applications. The FPCA may be used by persons who are registered voters of your county or who are not registered voters of your county since the federal post card application acts as a temporary registration pending permanent voter registration status (see note below). [Sec. 101.001]
  - (2) Persons applying for limited ballots. A person who moves from one county to another, and the person is either still registered in the former county of residence or was registered in the former county of residence when the person applied to register in the new county of residence. He or she may vote in their new county of residence, on offices or propositions that are on the ballot in both their new county and the county of his or her former residence. [Sec. 112.002]
- f. If the voter's name does not appear on the list of registered voters and he or she is not categorized in the group of voters listed in "d" above, the presiding judge must refer to the registration correction list, if provided, to see if the voter's name appears on that form.

#### **SECTION D: QUALIFYING SIGNATURES FOR THE SIGNATURE VERIFICATION COMMITTEE**

- 1. Check to see that the certificate on the carrier envelope was properly executed. The certificate is the statement the voter signs and may include portions filled out by assistants or witnesses. [Sec. 87.041(b)(1)]

2. Check the signatures of the applicant on the application and on the carrier envelope to confirm that both signatures have been executed by the voter, unless either document was signed by a witness. [Sec. 87.041(b)(2)]
3. A voter may use different witnesses/assistants on their application for ballot by mail and on their certificate. If a voter uses a witness, you would not compare signatures and the ballot should be accepted pending all other qualifications.
4. Section 87.041(e) provides that the Board/Committee may compare signatures with any two or more signatures of the voter made within the preceding six years and on file with the voter registrar, county clerk or elections administrator. These additional signatures may be used to confirm that the signatures are either those are not those of the same person. SB 5 (85th Legislature, 1, 2017) This bill removed the prohibition against the committee using the registration application signature to determine that the signatures are not those of the same person. The bill authorizes the early voting ballot board or signature verification committee to compare a voter's signature on a ballot application or carrier envelope certificate with two or more signatures of the voter made within the preceding six years and on file with the county clerk, in addition to the board's existing authority to make such a comparison with signatures on file with the voter registrar, to determine whether the signatures are those of the same person. The bill removes the prohibition against the board using such signatures on file to determine that the signatures are not those of the same person. The board or the committee may now use the signatures to determine if they are or if they are not that of the same person.
5. If there is no signature on the carrier envelope (by voter or witness), the ballot must be rejected (see Section F of this chapter for disposition of rejected ballots). [Sec. 87.041(d)] If the signature is not on the certificate but elsewhere on envelope, our office has said the signature is valid.

-- **EXCEPTIONS:**

- a. If the voter was unable to sign his or her name, the application and/or carrier envelope must each be signed by a witness. Different people may have witnessed the voter's mark on the application and on the carrier envelope. If the voter was unable to sign the application and/or carrier envelope himself or herself and one or both were signed by witnesses, then the signature will not be compared. [Sec. 87.041(b)(2)]
- b. If the voter applied for an early voting ballot on the Application for Late Emergency Ballot Due to Death or the Affidavit for Voting at Early Voting Place on Election Day, the certificate on the carrier envelope does not need to be signed by the applicant. The carrier envelope will have a notation "103" or "104" written on it by the early voting clerk when the voter applies under these procedures. [Secs. 103.004(c), 104.004(c)]

**NOTE:** A voter's witnessed application or witnessed carrier envelope are not invalid merely because there is no explanation of the voter's inability to make his or her mark. A ballot may not be rejected merely because the voter signed either the application or the carrier envelope and the other document was witnessed.

- c. If the voter applied for a ballot on the Application for Late Emergency Ballot Due to Sickness or Disability, the name, address, and signature of the representative who delivered the application to the early voting clerk must appear on the application and on the carrier envelope containing the voted ballot. The same representative who submitted the voter's application must deliver the voter's ballot back to the early voting clerk, and the same representative's name must appear on both the application and the carrier envelope. [Secs. 102.002, 102.004(b), 102.006(a), (b)]
- d. Applicants applying for a limited ballot or a presidential ballot also known as a restricted ballot must have two applications if voting this procedure by mail (i.e., the application for early ballot by

mail and the application for the "restricted" ballot) enclosed in the jacket envelope. [Secs. 111.004, 112.005, 113.003]

- 6. Signatures that have been either accepted or rejected need to be separated. If the committee has determined that the signatures are not those of the same person, the board may make a determination that the signatures are those of the same person by a majority vote of the board's membership.**

## **SECTION E. ACCEPTED BALLOTS**

1. If the applicant has met all the requirements discussed above, the ballot must be accepted for voting.
2. Open the carrier envelope without defacing the certificate on the carrier envelope and remove the ballot envelope. [Sec. 87.042(a)]
  - a. A ballot is considered valid even if it is not enclosed in a ballot secrecy envelope; the voter simply loses his/her secrecy of the votes cast. [Secs. 86.005(d), 87.042(d)]
  - b. If the front of the carrier envelope has "Statement Enclosed" stamped on it, check to see that the statement of residence form is enclosed. If the applicant's name appears on the list of registered voters with an "S" notation beside it, the applicant is required to complete the statement of residence prior to voting. If the completed, signed statement is not enclosed, the ballot must be rejected. (See Section E of this chapter for disposition of rejected early voting ballots.) [Sec. 87.041(d)]

NOTE: It is the position of the Office of the Secretary of State that the lack of a statement of residence form included in the envelope of an FPCA voter does not result in a rejected ballot since the FPCA would act as a temporary registration that would prevail the residence address provided on any previous registration applications already on file.

- c. If the applicant's name appears on the list of registered voters with an "ID" notation beside it, an applicant who possesses an acceptable form of photo identification is required to submit a copy of acceptable photo identification (or, if the voter does not possess, and cannot reasonably obtain an acceptable form of photo ID, a signed Declaration of Reasonable Impediment (see Form 5-22a) and an acceptable form of supporting documentation, or, if the voter has a voter registration certificate with an "E" notation on it, that), along with their mail ballot, unless the voter checks one of the "Exemptions (If Applicable)" boxes on Form 5-22a.
3. Place the unopened ballot envelope in a ballot box or other safe container. [Sec. 87.042(b)]
4. Enter the voter's name on the poll list for early voters voting by mail or list for voters using other mail procedures such as limited ballot. [Secs. 87.041(c); 102.008; 103.005, 104.006]
  - a. If the voter is an FPCA voter, place a check in the "FPCA" column on the poll list next to the voter's name. [Sec. 101.004]
  - b. If the voter applied for a limited ballot, place a check in the column marked "Limited Ballot" on the poll list next to the voter's name. [Sec. 111.008]
  - c. In presidential general elections, if the voter applied for a presidential ballot only, place a check in the column marked "Pres. Ballot" on the poll list next to the voter's name. [Sec. 111.008]
  - d. If the voter is an overseas citizen voter eligible only for a federal ballot, place a check in the column "Overseas Citizen" on the poll list next to the voter's name. (Only applicable in *primary* and general elections for state and county officers since these voters are limited to federal offices only.) [Sec. 111.008]

5. Place the application for the early voting ballot and the envelope that was used to mail the application (if applicable), the carrier envelope, and any accompanying papers back into the jacket envelope. (If the jacket envelope is to be used in a subsequent election, the early voting clerk may provide another envelope to be used in lieu of the jacket envelope.) Place any affidavits, statements of residence, and copies of identification in Envelope No. 4 to be delivered to the Voter Registrar. [Sec. 87.044(a)]
6. At least 10 early voting ballots voted by mail must be qualified before the ballots may be counted. Ballots may be removed for manual, hand counting at any time when there are at least 10 ballot envelopes containing ballots that have been qualified in the ballot box (or other safe container). If ballots are to be counted by electronic equipment, the general custodian of election must transmit the accepted by mail ballots to the presiding judge of the central counting station in a locked and sealed ballot box or other container approved by the Secretary of State.

## **SECTION F. REJECTED BALLOTS**

1. If the application and carrier envelope do not meet the requirements discussed above, the ballot must be rejected and may not be counted. [Sec. 87.041(d)]
2. Write the word "rejected" on the carrier envelope. [Sec. 87.041(d)]
3. Write the word "rejected" on the corresponding jacket envelope. [Sec. 87.041(d)]
4. Place the unopened carrier envelopes containing rejected ballots in the large envelope or container marked "Rejected Early Voting Ballots." [Sec. 87.043(b)]
5. The "Rejected Early Voting Ballot" envelope must be sealed and signed by the presiding judge, and the date and nature of the election must be written on the envelope. More than one envelope may be used if necessary. Record the number of rejected ballots, which are placed in the envelope for rejected ballots. [Secs. 87.043(a), (b)]
6. If the ballot was rejected after the carrier envelope was opened, the presiding judge should make a note on the carrier envelope of the reason the carrier envelope was opened and then rejected.
7. Place the application, the envelope used to mail the application to the early voting clerk (if applicable), and any accompanying papers or affidavits in the corresponding jacket envelope. (If the jacket envelope is to be used in a subsequent election, the early voting clerk may provide another envelope to be used in lieu of the jacket envelope.) [Sec. 87.044(a)]

**NOTE:** The Early Voting Ballot Board judge must deliver written notice to the voter of the reason for the rejection of his or her ballot no later than the 10th day after election day. [Sec. 87.0431] If this is not done within 10 days and the ballots have been sent back and placed in a ballot box, a court order will be needed to reopen the ballot box. Please contact our office for sample court orders if needed.

## **CHAPTER 5**

### **COUNTING HAND-COUNTED PAPER BALLOTS**

#### **SECTION A. ESTABLISHING THE COUNTING TEAMS**

1. There may be more than one counting team to tally the early voting ballots. [Secs. 81.002, 65.001]
2. Each counting team must consist of two or more early voting ballot board members. [Secs. 81.002, 65.001]
  - a. One member will be designated the reader.
  - b. The reader may also keep a tally list.
  - c. If there are only two members on a team, one member will keep two tally lists, and the reader will keep one tally list in addition to reading the ballots.
3. If there is more than one counting team, after all ballots have been counted, the votes for each candidate and/or proposition must be added together with the tallies of the other counting teams, and the totals must be placed on the return sheet.
4. A member of a counting team may not be replaced after the vote tallying is begun unless each existing discrepancy among the three tally lists is corrected before the replacement is made. [Secs. 81.002, 65.006(a)]
5. If a counting member is replaced, he or she must certify the accuracy of the tally list as of the time he or she was replaced. [Secs. 81.002, 65.006(b)]

#### **SECTION B. OPENING THE BALLOT BOX CONTAINING HAND-COUNTED PAPER BALLOTS**

**NOTE:** ELECTRONIC BALLOTS CAST IN PERSON ARE NOT TABULATED BY THE EARLY VOTING BALLOT BOARD, BUT RATHER AT A CENTRAL COUNTING STATION.

1. Open the double-locked ballot box containing the ballots voted by personal appearance. [Sec. 87.062]

**NOTE:** The early voting clerk will deliver one key to the ballot box when he or she delivers the ballots. The custodian of the second key will deliver the second key at the time specified by the early voting ballot board's presiding judge. [Secs. 87.021(1), 87.025]
2. After the presiding judge opens the ballot box, the judge shall remove any provisional ballots and verify the number of provisional ballots in the ballot box, which is reflected on the Early Voting List of Provisional Voters.
3. The provisional ballots shall be prepared for delivery to the voter registrar and placed in a closed and sealed box for delivery by the general custodian of election records to the voter registrar. [T.A.C. Sec. 81.174]
4. All early voting ballots must be sorted by precinct before they are counted so that a separate total of early voting votes cast in each precinct may be obtained. [Sec. 87.1231]
5. For political subdivisions using hand-counted paper ballots, early voting ballots cast by personal appearance may be counted while the ballots cast by mail are being qualified if the early voting ballot board consists of enough members.
6. When at least 10 early voting ballots cast by mail have been qualified and placed in the ballot box or other container, the ballot envelopes may be removed from the box or container, opened, the ballots removed, the ballot envelopes discarded, and the ballots counted. This process may be repeated any time there are at least 10 ballot envelopes in the box or container. [Sec. 87.062(a)]

**NOTE:** If there is more than one ballot in a ballot envelope, neither ballot may be counted. The presiding judge must make notation on the back of each ballot of the reason the ballot was not counted. These ballots are then placed with the voted ballots in the early voting ballot box. [Sec. 65.010(a)(2)]

### **SECTION C. RULES GOVERNING THE COUNTING PROCEDURE**

1. The ballots must be counted separately by precinct. [Sec. 87.1231]
2. Three original tally lists are required for each precinct. [Secs. 65.004, 87.1231] A separate page of the same tally book may be used for each precinct's tally list. These tally lists should be completely filled out, and include the following:
  - Names and offices of candidates; and/or
  - Propositions;
  - Date;
  - Precinct number;
  - Type of election;
  - Name of presiding judge; and
  - Signature of the person keeping the tally list.
3. Before the counting begins, the early voting Ballot Box should be inspected to ensure that it is empty. It should then be locked and remain locked (except as authorized by the presiding judge), and within view of the counting officials. [Sec. 65.003(c)]
4. No marks should be made on any ballot by an election official, except that if a ballot is not counted because the judge determines it was not provided by the early voting clerk or because two or more ballots were folded together, an election official must indicate on the back of the ballot the reason for not counting it. [Sec. 65.010(c)]

### **SECTION D. THE COUNTING PROCEDURE**

1. The reader must read and distinctly announce to the officials keeping the tally lists each name of a candidate or proposition for which there is a vote. [Sec. 65.005(a)]
2. The intent of the voter in marking the ballot may be determined by:
  - a. a distinguishing mark adjacent to the name of a candidate or voting choice associated with a proposition;
  - b. an oval, box, or similar marking clearly drawn around the name of a candidate or a voting choice associated with a proposition;
  - c. a line drawn through;
    - (1) the names of all candidates in a manner that indicates a preference for the candidate not marked if the names of the candidates not marked do not exceed the number of persons that may be elected to that office;
    - (2) a voting choice associated with a proposition in a manner that clearly indicates a preference for the other voting choice associated with the proposition; or
  - d. any other evidence that clearly indicates the intent of the voter in choosing a candidate or deciding on a proposition. [Sec. 65.009]



3. As each vote is read, a tally mark is made by the corresponding name or number on the tally lists. [Sec. 65.005(a)]
4. The tally lists should be compared periodically and any errors or discrepancies corrected. [Sec. 65.005(b)]
5. When the reader has completely read and announced all the votes on the ballot, he or she deposits the ballot in the locked early voting ballot box.
6. Any voted ballot that is not counted is also deposited in the box containing the counted ballots. [Sec. 65.012(b)]

**NOTE:** A ballot that was not counted should contain a clear notation on the back that it was not counted to avoid an accidental counting during a recount, etc. [Sec. 65.010(c)]

## **SECTION E. RULES FOR COUNTING MANUALLY-CAST OR HAND-COUNTED OPTICAL SCAN BALLOTS**

(See generally, Chapter 65 and Secs. 64.003-64.006)

1. The voter should mark his or her ballot by placing an "X" or other mark in the square beside each candidate, proposition, or party column for which he or she wishes to vote (See Figure 1). [Sec. 64.003]

<i>(Primary Election Ballot)</i>					
For Governor					
<input type="checkbox"/> Candidate A					
<input type="checkbox"/> Candidate B					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Candidate C					

(General Election Ballot)					
Candidates for	<input type="checkbox"/> PARTY A	<input type="checkbox"/> PARTY B	<input type="checkbox"/> PARTY C	<input type="checkbox"/> Independent	<input type="checkbox"/> Write-In
Governor	<input type="checkbox"/> Candidate A	<input type="checkbox"/> Candidate B	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Candidate C		

**Figure 1. Illustrations of marked ballots.**  
**(The asterisks indicate the candidates for whom the ballot is counted.)**

2. Election officials shall not refuse to count a ballot because the voter marked his or her ballot by scratching out the names of candidates for whom, or the statement of propositions for which, he or she did not want to vote (See Figure 2). [Sec. 65.009(b)]

Candidates for	<input type="checkbox"/> PARTY A	<input type="checkbox"/> PARTY B	<input type="checkbox"/> <del>PARTY C</del>	<input type="checkbox"/> INDEPENDENT	<input type="checkbox"/> WRITE-IN
First Office	<input type="checkbox"/> <del>Candidate</del>	<input type="checkbox"/> <del>Candidate</del>	<input type="checkbox"/> <del>Candidate</del>	<input type="checkbox"/> <del>Candidate</del>	<input type="checkbox"/> _____
Second Office	* <input type="checkbox"/> Candidate	<input type="checkbox"/> <del>Candidate</del>		<input type="checkbox"/> <del>Candidate</del>	<input type="checkbox"/> _____
Third Office	* <input type="checkbox"/> Candidate	<input type="checkbox"/> <del>Candidate</del>		<input type="checkbox"/> <del>Candidate</del>	<input type="checkbox"/> _____
Fourth Office	* <input type="checkbox"/> Candidate	<input type="checkbox"/> <del>Candidate</del>			
Fifth Office	* <input type="checkbox"/> Candidate				
Sixth Office	* <input type="checkbox"/> Candidate				
Seventh Office	* <input type="checkbox"/> Candidate	<input type="checkbox"/> <del>Candidate</del>			

Eighth Office	* <input type="checkbox"/> Candidate	<input type="checkbox"/> Candidate		<input type="checkbox"/> Candidate	
Etc.					

**Figure 2. Illustration of the scratch method.**  
**(The asterisks indicate the candidates for whom the ballot is counted.)**

**3. Figure 2. Illustration of Guideline No. 1.**

**Two party squares marked and individual candidates also marked in one or more columns.**  
**(The asterisks indicate the candidates for whom the ballot is counted.)**

Candidates for	<input type="checkbox"/> PARTY A	<input type="checkbox"/> PARTY B	<input type="checkbox"/> PARTY C	<input type="checkbox"/> INDEPENDENT	<input type="checkbox"/> WRITE-IN
First Office	* <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Candidate	* <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Candidate	<input type="checkbox"/> Candidate	<input type="checkbox"/> Candidate	<input type="checkbox"/> _____
Second Office	<input type="checkbox"/> Candidate	* <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Candidate		<input type="checkbox"/> Candidate	<input type="checkbox"/> _____
Third Office	* <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Candidate	Candidate		<input type="checkbox"/> Candidate	<input type="checkbox"/> _____
Fourth Office	<input type="checkbox"/> Candidate	<input type="checkbox"/> Candidate			
Fifth Office	<input type="checkbox"/> Candidate				
Sixth Office	* <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Candidate				
Seventh Office	<input type="checkbox"/> Candidate	<input type="checkbox"/> Candidate			
Eighth Office	<input type="checkbox"/> Candidate	* <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Candidate		<input type="checkbox"/> Candidate	
Etc.					

Guideline No. 1. Where more than one candidate square is marked, those votes may not be tallied, and the ballot may be counted only for candidates individually marked, if any. (If there are no candidates individually marked, no portion of the ballot is counted.) [Sec. 65.007(d)]

- b. An entire ballot cannot be voided if the intent of the voter can be determined for any one race or proposition on the ballot. [Sec. 65.009(c)]
- c. An individual vote is not counted in the following situations:
  - (1) An individual vote is not counted if the intent of the voter cannot be determined. [Sec. 65.009(c)]
  - (2) An individual vote is not counted if the voter marked more than one candidate for one race ("overvote").

In municipal, school board, or other political subdivision elections where it is possible to vote for more than one candidate in the same race, a ballot may not be counted if a voter has marked more candidates than are to be elected. [Sec. 65.011] A ballot is not invalid if the voter has marked fewer candidates than the number to be elected ("undervote"). [Sec. 65.009]

VOTE FOR NONE, ONE, TWO, OR THREE

☒ Candidate

☒ Candidate



- ☐ Candidate  
☐ Candidate  
☒ Candidate  
☒ Candidate

**Figure 3. Illustration of overvoting; voter has voted for more candidates than are to be elected. (No portion of this ballot is counted.)**

VOTE FOR NONE, ONE, TWO, OR THREE

- \*☒ Candidate  
☐ Candidate  
☒ Candidate  
☐ Candidate  
☐ Candidate  
☐ Candidate

**Figure 4. Illustration of undervoting; voter has voted for fewer candidates than are to be elected. (A vote is counted for each candidate receiving a vote.)**

- (3) An individual vote is not counted in the following write-in voting situations:
- (a) The voter used a sticker or rubber stamp with the name of a write-in candidate printed or written on it. [Sec. 65.008(b)]
  - (b) *The election is the primary election for the office of precinct chair or county chair, a November general election, city council officer elections, an independent or common school district trustee election, special elections for state representative and state senator, or other elections where declaration of write-in is required and the voter writes in the name of a person whose name is not on the list of declared write-in candidates. [Secs. 144.006, 146.031(d), 146.054, 146.055, 146.082, 171.0231 Election Code; Secs. 11.056(c), 11.304, 130.081, 130.0825, Education Code; Sec. 285.131, Health and Safety Code; Secs. 326.0431 & 326.0432, Local Government Code; Secs. 36.059, 49.101, 63.0945, Water Code]*
  - (c) *The election is a primary and the voter writes in a vote for a candidate for public office; only write-in votes for declared candidates for party officer of county chair and precinct chair may be counted. [Sec. 172.112]*
  - (d) The election is a runoff election and a voter writes in any candidate's name; no write-in votes may be counted at a runoff election. [Sec. 146.002]
  - (e) The voter voted for the presidential candidate of one party and the vice-presidential candidate of another party or voted for the presidential or vice-presidential candidate of one party and wrote in the name of a candidate he or she desires to vote for instead of that candidate's running mate. [Sec. 192.037]

d. A ballot is not counted in the following situations:

- (1) A ballot is not counted if the intent of the voter cannot be determined. [Sec. 65.009] (See Figure 8).

Candidates for	<input type="checkbox"/> PARTY A	<input type="checkbox"/> PARTY B	<input type="checkbox"/> PARTY C	<input type="checkbox"/> INDEPENDENT	<input type="checkbox"/> WRITE-IN
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First Office	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Candidate	<input type="checkbox"/> Candidate	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Candidate	<input type="checkbox"/> Candidate	<input type="checkbox"/> _____
Second Office	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Candidate	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Candidate		<input type="checkbox"/> Candidate	<input type="checkbox"/> _____
Third Office	<input type="checkbox"/> Candidate	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Candidate		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Candidate	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>John Smith</u>
Fourth Office	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Candidate	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Candidate			
Fifth Office	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Candidate		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Candidate		
Sixth Office	<input type="checkbox"/> Candidate	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Candidate	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Candidate		
Seventh Office	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Candidate	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Candidate			
Eighth Office	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Candidate	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Candidate		<input type="checkbox"/> Candidate	
Etc.					

**Figure 5. Illustration of lack of knowledge of intent of voter.  
(No portion of this ballot is counted.)**

- (2) A ballot is not counted if two or more ballots are folded together in a manner that indicates they were folded together when deposited in the ballot box by the voter. [Sec. 65.010(a)(2)]
- (3) A ballot is not counted if the ballot is not numbered or not signed by the judge and the judge determines that this ballot was not provided at the polling place. However, this ballot may be counted if the judge determines that it was provided at the polling place. [Secs. 65.010(a)(1), (b)]
- (4) A provisional ballot found by an election worker not contained within the provisional voter affidavit envelope. [T.A.C. §§ 81.172-81.174]

Guideline No. 6. Where the voter marks a candidate but writes in a declared write-in, the write-in vote is counted.

Candidates for	<input type="checkbox"/> PARTY A	<input type="checkbox"/> PARTY B	<input type="checkbox"/> PARTY C	<input type="checkbox"/> INDEPENDENT	<input type="checkbox"/> WRITE-IN
First Office	<input type="checkbox"/> Candidate	* <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Candidate	<input type="checkbox"/> Candidate		* <input type="checkbox"/> <u>John Smith</u>
Second Office	<input type="checkbox"/> Candidate	* <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Candidate			<input type="checkbox"/> _____
Third Office	<input type="checkbox"/> Candidate	* <input type="checkbox"/> Candidate			<input type="checkbox"/> _____
Fourth Office	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Candidate	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Candidate			
Fifth Office	<input type="checkbox"/> Candidate				
Sixth Office	<input type="checkbox"/> Candidate				
Seventh Office	<input type="checkbox"/> Candidate	* <input type="checkbox"/> Candidate			
Eighth Office	<input type="checkbox"/> Candidate	* <input type="checkbox"/> Candidate			
Etc.					

**Figure 6. Casting a write-in vote. Illustration of Guideline No. 6.  
(The asterisks indicate the candidates for whom the ballot is counted.)**

Guideline No. 6. Where voter fails to properly mark an "X" in the write-in box, the write-in vote may be counted if the presiding judge can determine the intent of the voter. [Secs. 52.070(e), 65.009]

## **SECTION F. HANDLING THE ELECTION RETURNS FOR PAPER BALLOTS**

1. Making out the returns.

- a. After all ballots are counted, the tally list, including separate totals for precincts, must be totaled and signed by the counting officer keeping it. If more than one officer has kept one particular list, each officer signs the list upon finishing. [Sec. 65.005(c)]
  - b. Total each tally list to obtain the total number of votes cast for each candidate and/or for or against each proposition. [Sec. 65.005(c)]
  - c. The presiding judge must make out and sign all copies of the returns. [Sec. 65.014(c)]
  - d. A separate return sheet must be made for each precinct. [Sec. 87.1231]
  - e. Election officials should also prepare a summary return sheet to show complete early voting returns for all precincts.
2. Distribution of election returns, poll lists, and tally lists.
- a. There must be four copies of the returns for each precinct. [Secs. 65.014(c), 87.1231]
  - b. There must be three copies of the poll list (or four copies of the combination form). [Sec. 63.003(b)]
  - c. There must be three originals of the tally list for each precinct. [Secs. 65.004, 87.1231]
3. Five envelopes for distribution of election records are furnished with the supplies.
- a. Envelope No. 1 is addressed to the presiding officer of the local canvassing authority. [Sec. 66.003(b)(1)]
    - County judge (general election for state and county officers or election held by the county).
    - *County chair (primary election).*
    - Mayor (municipal election).
    - Presiding officer of the governing board (other elections).
  - b. Envelope No. 2 is addressed to the general custodian of election records. [Secs. 66.001, 66.003(b)(2)]
    - County clerk or county elections administrator (general election for state and county officers, election held by the county, *primary election*).
    - City clerk or secretary (municipal election).
    - Secretary of the governing board, or if none, the presiding officer of the governing board (other elections).
  - c. Envelope No. 3 is addressed to the early voting ballot board judge. [Sec. 66.003(b)(3)]
  - d. Envelope No. 4 is addressed to the Voter Registrar. [Sec. 66.003(b)(4)]
  - e. *Envelope No. 5 is addressed to the County Chair.*
4. The records of the election must be distributed as follows:
- a. Contents of Envelope No. 1. [Sec. 66.022]
    - (1) The original of the election returns of early voting ballots for each precinct.
    - (2) One copy of the tally list for each precinct (from each counting team, if applicable).
  - b. Contents of Envelope No. 2. [Sec. 66.023]
    - (1) A copy of the returns of the early voting ballots for each precinct and the summary return.
    - (2) A copy of the tally list for each precinct (from each counting team, if applicable).

- (3) The original of the poll list of early voting voters voting by personal appearance and by mail.
- (4) The signature roster.
- (5) The precinct early voting list
- (6) An affidavits completed at the polling place.
- (7) Any certificates of appointment of poll watchers.
- c. Contents of Envelope No. 3. [Sec. 66.024]
  - (1) A copy of the returns of early voting ballots for each precinct and the summary return.
  - (2) A copy of the poll list of early voters voting by personal appearance and by mail.
  - (3) A copy of the ballot register.
- d. Contents of Envelope No. 4. [Sec. 66.0241]
  - (1) The precinct list of registered voters.
  - (2) The registration correction list, if any.
  - (3) Any Statements of Residence completed at the polling place or by mail or copies of identification submitted by mail.
  - (4) List of "ID" Voters.
  - (5) Copy of Combination Form, if used instead of individual affidavits.
- e. *Contents of Envelope No. 5.*
  - *Original of the Statement of Compensation, in a primary election.*
- f. Contents of early voting ballot box. [Sec. 66.025]
  - (1) The voted ballots.
  - (2) A copy of the early voting returns for each precinct and the summary return.
  - (3) A copy of the tally list for each precinct.
  - (4) A copy of the poll list of early voters voting by personal appearance and by mail.
- 5. Manner and time of delivery of records.
  - a. The presiding judge must deliver Envelope No. 1 in person to the presiding officer of the local canvassing authority, or if that officer is unavailable, to the general custodian of election records. [Sec. 66.051(a)]
  - b. The presiding judge must deliver Envelope No. 2 and Ballot Box No. 3, the rejected ballot envelope, the jacket envelopes containing the carrier envelopes and applications, and all unused supplies in person to the general custodian of election records. [Sec. 66.051(b)]
  - c. The presiding judge retains Envelope No. 3. [Sec. 66.051(c)]
  - d. The presiding judge must deliver Envelope No. 4 in person to the voter registrar, or if that officer is unavailable, to the general custodian of election records for later delivery to the voter registrar. [Sec. 66.051(d)]
  - e. The judge delivers the keys to the Ballot Box to:

- (1) The sheriff for an election ordered by the governor or a county authority or *for a primary election*, unless the sheriff is on the ballot, in which case the keys are delivered to the county judge. If both the sheriff and the county judge are on the ballot, the keys are delivered to the county auditor, or, if there is no county auditor, to a member of the commissioners court, named by the court, who is not on the ballot. [Sec. 66.060(a)(1)]
- (2) The chief of police or city marshal for an election ordered by a city authority. [Sec. 66.060(a)(2)]
- (3) The constable of the justice precinct in which the governing body's office is located, or if the constable's office is vacant, to the sheriff of the county, for an election ordered by a political subdivision other than a county or city. [Sec. 66.060(a)(3)]

f. *Envelope No. 5 is delivered to the County Chair.*

g. Time.

- (1) Records must be delivered to the appropriate authority immediately after the returns are completed. [Secs. 66.053(a), 87.063]
- (2) If the judge determines that the ballots will not be counted in time to permit delivery of the records by 2:00 a.m. of the day following the election, he or she must notify the general custodian of election records by telephone between midnight of election day and 1:00 a.m. of the following day of:
  - The vote totals tallied for each candidate and for and against each measure at the time of notification.
  - The expected time of finishing the count. [Secs. 66.053(b), 87.063]
- (3) In every election, the early voting ballot board records must be delivered to the appropriate authorities not later than 24 hours after the polls close. [Secs. 66.053(c), 87.063]

6. At the time the early voting ballot board records are delivered, supplies shall be returned to the authority responsible for providing such supplies. The presiding judge shall follow the instructions of such authority regarding the storage or return of empty ballot boxes and their keys and other equipment. [Sec. 87.123]

## **SECTION G. REPORTING EARLY VOTES**

1. The presiding judge of the Board must deliver the counted ballots, the early voting election returns, other early voting election records, and ballot box keys to the appropriate authorities. [Sec. 87.063]
2. The early voting totals must reflect the number of early votes for each candidate or measure by election precinct. [Secs. 67.004(c), 87.1231]

## **CHAPTER 6**

### **EXAMINING, PREPARING, AND COUNTING VOTED OPTICAL SCAN BALLOTS**

#### **SECTION A. PROCESSING BALLOTS COUNTED AT CENTRAL COUNTING STATION**

**NOTE:** If the ballots are to be delivered to the central counting station before the time the polls are closed on election day, the intervals during the day at which the ballots are to be delivered must be stated in the resolution, order, or other official action authorizing the early deliveries. [Sec. 127.124]

1. The early voting clerk shall deliver the early voting ballots to the central counting station. This should include the container for the early voting electronic system ballots that are to be counted by automatic tabulating equipment at a central counting station. This shall be done without opening the container.
2. The early voting electronic system ballots counted at a central counting station shall be tabulated separately from the ballots cast at precinct polling places and shall be separately reported on returns. [Sec. 87.103]
3. The general custodian of records shall post a guard to ensure the security of ballot boxes containing voted ballots throughout the period of tabulation at the central counting station. [Sec. 127.1232]

#### **SECTION B. DELIVERY OF BALLOT BOX.**

1. Poll watchers may accompany election officials delivering ballot container after optical scan mail ballots are qualified. [Sec. 33.060]

If delivery is made in a vehicle, it is sufficient to allow the watchers to follow in a different vehicle and to drive in such a manner that the watchers are able to keep the delivery vehicle in sight.

2. The officers must present the ballot box to the presiding judge of the counting station or his or her designee.
3. The delivering officers must then exchange the ballot box for a signed receipt. [Sec. 127.068(a)]
4. The rejected ballot envelopes, jacket envelopes containing the carrier envelopes, and any unused supplies are returned to the general custodian of election records.

## CHAPTER 7

### RECONVENING EARLY VOTING BALLOT BOARD

The early voting ballot board must reconvene after the election to review and qualify provisional ballots and to qualify ballots that were cast from outside the United States on or before election day and that are received by the sixth day after election day. The early voting clerk may determine whether or not the committee will need to reconvene after election day to verify signatures or leave that authority with the early voting ballot board. We recommend that this decision be done prior to the election day. If the authority is left with the committee we recommend that the committee coordinates with the board and the early voting clerk for delivery of the jacket envelope ballots by mail. If there is a SVC, the SVC must verify the signatures before the EVBB meets. The SVC would follow the same procedures of when they first convene.

#### SECTION A. ESTABLISHING THE EARLY VOTING BALLOT BOARD TO REVIEW PROVISIONAL BALLOTS

The authority appointing the early voting ballot board may determine which members of the board will review and count the provisional ballots. The entire ballot board is not required to be present. A minimum of three members of the board is required to conduct the review.

1. Convening Early Voting Ballot Board.
  - a. The presiding judge of the early voting ballot board may convene the board as soon as practicable after the voter registrar has completed the review of the provisional ballots, **or if the voter registrar reviews the provisional ballots in “batches” and releases completed “batches” sequentially, the presiding judge may convene the board as soon as practicable after the voter registrar has completed one or more “batches.”** The judge must post a notice on the bulletin board used for posting notices of meetings of the governing body ordering the election no later than 24 hours before each time the board is scheduled to meet. The board may also convene while the voter registrar continues the review.
  - b. The early voting ballot board cannot convene a final time until after the 6th day after the election due to Voter ID verification. We recommend to review provisional ballots on a rolling basis.
2. Delivery of Materials To Early Voting Ballot Board.
  - a. The board should obtain from the authority conducting the election a package of supplies, including the:
    - (1) Return sheets;
    - (2) Tally sheets; and
    - (3) Envelopes for Accepted and Rejected Ballots.
  - b. The general custodian will deliver to the early voting ballot board the Lists of Provisional Voters from each precinct.
3. Delivery of Provisional Ballots.
  - a. The early voting ballot board presiding judge shall take receipt of (1) the provisional ballots directly from the voter registrar or the custodian of election records and (2) List of List of Provisional Voters Who Presented Proper Identification to Voter Registrar at a time and place to be determined by the presiding judge and; [Sec. 65.0541]
  - b. The presiding judge completes the Verification of Provisional Ballots and Serial Numbers Form by signing at the time of receipt that the seal(s) were intact, the serial numbers of the seal(s) were accurately reflected, and the number of provisional ballots received.



#### 4. Review of Provisional Ballots.

The early voting ballot board shall review both the election judge's and the voter registrar's notation on each Provisional Ballot Affidavit Envelope to determine whether or not the ballot should be counted as indicated below.

##### a. Provisional ballots to be counted:

- (1) The ballot shall be counted if the voter failed to submit identification at the polling place, but the voter registrar indicated the voter presented an acceptable form of identification in person at the registrar's office within six calendar days after the date of the election and the voter was otherwise eligible to vote in the election.
- (2) The ballot shall be counted if the voter failed to submit identification at the polling place, but the voter registrar indicated on the Provisional Ballot Affidavit Envelope that the voter applied for and received the disability exemption under Section 13.002(i) of the Election Code by the sixth day after election day and the voter was otherwise eligible to vote in the election.
- (3) The ballot shall be counted if the voter failed to submit identification at the polling place, but the voter registrar indicated the voter completed one of the two curing affidavits set out in Section 65.054(b)(2)(B) (consistent religious objection to photographs) or 65.054(b)(2)(C) (identification unavailable due to declared natural disaster) no later than the sixth day after election day.
- (4) If the election judge indicated that the reason for casting a provisional ballot was that the voter appeared on the list of registered voters as having cast a ballot by mail, and the voter claimed that he never received the mail ballot, or would like to cancel his or her mail ballot, the provisional ballot shall be counted if the voter's mail ballot has not already been received.
- (5) If the voter registrar indicated that the provisional voter is registered to vote in the territory holding the election, the ballot shall be counted.
- (6) If the voter registrar indicated that the provisional voter is registered to vote, but was erroneously listed in the wrong precinct, the ballot shall be counted.
- (7) If the voter was erroneously removed from the voter registration list and is otherwise qualified to vote, the ballot shall be counted.
- (8) The voter registrar has information in the office that the voter did complete an application, and the voter is otherwise qualified, the ballot shall be counted. (For example, evidence that the voter submitted an application at a DPS office or via a volunteer deputy registrar.)

##### b. Provisional ballots not to be counted:

- (1) If the election judge indicated that the voter did not provide an acceptable form of identification and the voter registrar noted that the voter did not (1) present an acceptable form of identification to the voter registrar, (2) complete one of the curing affidavits set out in Section 65.054(b)(2)(B), or (3) apply for and receive a disability exemption by the sixth day after election day, then the ballot shall not be counted.
- (2) If the election judge indicated that a voter with a permanent disability exemption to the identification requirements did not submit the registration certificate at the polling place, and the voter registrar notes that the voter failed to (1) present their registration certificate with exemption, (2) present another form of acceptable identification, or (3) apply for and receive a permanent disability exemption by the sixth day after election day, the ballot shall not be counted.



- (3) If a voter voted provisionally due to having an outstanding mail ballot that has not yet been cancelled, the provisional ballot shall not be counted if the provisional voter has already voted.
- (4) If the voter registrar indicated that the provisional voter is not registered to vote in the territory holding the election or the registration was not effective in time for the election, the ballot shall not be counted.
- (5) If the voter registrar indicated that the provisional voter is registered to vote at a different precinct other than the one the voter voted in, the ballot shall not be counted. This is not the case if the county that is part of the countywide polling place program.
- (6) If the election judge indicated that the voter was on the list of registered voters, but the voter's registered residence address is outside the political subdivision, the ballot shall not be counted.
- (7) If the voter registrar indicated that an incomplete application was received from the provisional voter but the required additional information was not returned, the ballot shall not be counted.

5. Disposition of Accepted or Rejected Ballots.

- a. The presiding judge shall indicate the disposition of each ballot on the provisional voter affidavit envelope.
- b. The presiding judge shall also indicate the disposition of each ballot on the List of Provisional Voters for that precinct.
- c. The ballots to be counted shall be removed from their provisional ballot envelopes (which are sealed in a secrecy envelope). After at least 10 secrecy envelopes have been removed from the provisional ballot envelopes and placed in a separate container, the secrecy envelopes are opened, and the ballots are counted under the normal procedure for counting ballots by mail in an election either by hand counting or by central counting station [See Chapters 5 and 6]. The presiding judge of the early voting ballot board or central counting station shall complete a return sheet of the votes and record them by precinct. The Provisional Voter Affidavit Envelopes are placed in the Envelope for Accepted Voters and delivered to the general custodian of election records.
- d. The Provisional Voter Affidavits Envelopes that are not counted are placed in the Envelope for Rejected Provisional Ballots and delivered to the general custodian of election records.
- e. Rejected Provisional Ballot Affidavit Envelopes may not be opened except by court order. [T.A.C. Sec.81.176 (14)]

6. Counting Paper Ballot Provisional Ballots.

- a. See Chapters 5 and 6 for counting rules.
- b. Once counted, the provisional ballots shall be re-locked and returned to the custodian of election records. The key shall be delivered to the custodian of the key.
- c. If a DRE system is used for provisional voting, the entity conducting the election will direct how provisional ballots are processed.

7. Counting of Provisional Ballots Electronically (optical scan).

- a. The manager of the central counting station shall decide whether the ballot board shall manually count the ballots with the totals manually added to the computer count for a canvass total or whether the central counting station shall reconvene.

- b. The manager shall send notice to the presiding judge of the ballot board prior to reconvening the board as to whether the ballots are to be counted manually by the board or whether the ballots are to be prepared for delivery to the central counting station.
- c. If the ballots are to be counted by the central counting station, the manager must post notice at least 24 hours prior to reconvening the central counting station. Section 1.006 does not apply.
- d. A ballot transmittal form must be completed by the presiding judge of the ballot board. The transmittal form will accompany the accepted provisional ballots.
- e. Prior to the beginning of the count at a central counting station, the manager shall run the required second logic and accuracy test using the same test deck as on Election Day. After the count is complete, the manager shall run the required third logic and accuracy test. If the test is not successful, the count is void.
- f. The central counting manager may add the provisional ballots to the original returns by hand in order to provide one complete return sheet, may enter the provisional ballots directly on the electronic voting system to have one final electronic return sheet or may provide a separate return sheet with just provisional ballot vote totals. The return sheets are placed in Envelope No. 2 and delivered to the custodian of election records.
- g. The counted provisional ballots and other election materials are returned to the custodian of election records and retained for the appropriate preservation period.

**NOTE:** Since provisional ballots will probably be processed and counted at the same time as the late early voting by mail ballots, additional procedures relating to late ballots pursuant to T.A.C. Sec. 81.37 may also apply.

8. Notice to Provisional Voters.

Not later than the 10th day after the local canvass, the early voting ballot board's presiding judge shall deliver written notice regarding whether the provisional ballot was counted to the provisional voter, and if the ballot was not counted, the reason the ballot was not counted. The presiding judge shall use the information provided on the affidavit to obtain the proper mailing address for the voter and the final resolution of the provisional ballot.

9. Distribution of Provisional Voting Records.

- a. Custodian of election records receives:
  - (1) Lists of Provisional Voters;
  - (2) Return sheets;
  - (3) Tally Sheets;
  - (4) Envelopes for Accepted and Rejected Provisional Ballot Affidavit Envelopes;
  - (5) Counted Ballots; and
  - (6) Verification of Provisional Ballots and Serial Numbers.
- b. Custodian of the key receives the key to the ballot box after it has been locked.
- c. Presiding officer of the canvassing authority receives:
  - (1) Return sheets; and
  - (2) Tally Sheets.

## **SECTION B. RECONVENING FOR QUALIFYING LATE EARLY BALLOTS BY MAIL**

### **1. Requirements for ballots to be counted late.**

The Board must reconvene to count mail ballots which were:

- a. arrived by 5pm on the day after election and bears a cancellation mark of a common or contract carrier or courier indicating a time not later than 7pm at the location of the election on election day.
- b. cast from outside the United States;
- c. placed in delivery before the polls closed; and
- d. which arrived not later than the 5<sup>th</sup> day (non military overseas) and 6<sup>th</sup> day (military) after election day. [Sec. 86.007(d)]

**NOTE:** If the 5<sup>th</sup> or 6<sup>th</sup> day falls on a weekend day, federal or state holiday, this deadline is extended to the next regular business day.

### **2. When should the board reconvene?**

- a. The general rule is on the 9<sup>th</sup> day after election day or earlier, if the early voting clerk can determine that all ballots cast from outside the United States have been received. [Sec. 87.125(a)].
- b. For a general election for state and county officers the date moves to the 13<sup>th</sup> day after election day, or earlier if the early voting clerk can determine that all ballots cast from outside the United States have been received. [Sec. 87.125(a-1)].

### **3. The Carrier Envelope must be:**

- a. timely submitted;
- b. properly addressed with postage (no postage is required for FPCA carrier envelopes); and
- c. bear a cancellation mark from a postal service before the polls close or a receipt mark from a common or contract carrier indicating the ballot was received before the polls closed.

### **4. Additional general provisions.**

- a. The presiding judge shall notify the early voting clerk as to the time and place where the board will reconvene. The notice must be made in time so the early voting clerk may give proper notice of the delivery. The early voting clerk must post notice of delivery of jacket envelopes and any other accompanying papers to the early voting ballot board at least 24 hours prior to the delivery. The notice shall be posted at the main early voting polling place. Section 1.006 does not apply.
- b. The presiding judge shall send notice to the custodian of the key and the custodian of election records to redeliver the ballot box containing the counted ballots and the key to the box. After the late ballots have been counted, the presiding judge shall lock the late counted ballots in the ballot box. The presiding judge shall deliver the ballot box to the general custodian of election records and the key to the ballot box to the custodian of the key.
- c. Poll watchers are entitled to be present.
- d. If all mail ballots were received by the close of voting on election day or no ballots were received by the appropriate deadline for the election, the early voting clerk shall certify that fact and deliver the certification to the canvassing board before they convene to canvass the votes. [Sec. 87.125(a)]

### **5. Special provisions for paper ballots.**

- a. Once the ballots have been qualified, the presiding judge shall use the regular method of counting ballots by keeping three new tally sheets, counting by precinct, and having at least two members per tally team. [Ch. 65, Secs. 87.062, 87.103; T.A.C. § 81.37(b)]
  - b. Once the board has counted all the ballots, an original and three copies of the return sheet shall be prepared.
  - c. The distribution of the tally sheets and return sheets shall be made in accordance with the Texas Election Code, Subchapter B, Chapter 66.
  - d. The canvassing board shall add the returns from both early voting return sheets when canvassing the vote.
6. Provisions for Electronic Voting Systems. [T.A.C. §§ 81.37(c), 87.103]
- a. The manager of the central counting station shall decide whether the ballot board shall manually count the ballots with the totals manually added to the computer count for a canvass total or whether the central counting station shall reconvene.
  - b. The manager shall send notice to the presiding judge of the ballot board prior to reconvening the board as to whether the ballots are to be counted manually by the board or whether the ballots are to be prepared for delivery to the central counting station.
  - c. If the ballots are to be counted by the central counting station, the manager must post notice at least 24 hours prior to reconvening the central counting station. Section 1.006 does not apply.
  - d. A ballot transmittal form must be completed by the presiding judge of the ballot board. The transmittal form will accompany the ballots qualified.
  - e. The manager must order a 2nd test to be conducted prior to the count. The test must be successful.
  - f. Poll watchers are entitled to be present.
  - g. After the 2nd test is successful, the unofficial election results preserved by electronic means shall be loaded in the tabulating equipment.
  - h. The tabulation supervisor shall print a status report before the count is to begin. This status report shall be compared with the report run on election night. If the two status reports do not match, the electronic ballots must be counted by hand and the total manually added to the returns printed on election night.
  - i. If the status reports match, the tabulation supervisor may order the count to begin. The precinct returns from these counts may be included with the original precinct counts. The tabulation supervisor does not need to keep the precinct-by-precinct results of the late ballots separate from other early voted ballots.
  - j. Once the ballots have been counted, results shall be prepared in the regular manner. The manager shall prepare a certification and attach it to the returns, then place both in envelope #1 to be delivered to the presiding officer of the canvassing board indicating that the results supersede any returns printed prior to the reconvening of the central counting station after election day.
  - k. After the results have been prepared, a successful 3rd test must be performed.
  - l. The results, ballots, and distribution of ballots and all records shall be made in the regular manner.

## APPENDIX A

**This chapter will have examples of questions we see arise for a Signature Verification Committee and examples of situations.**

### **A. Questions in regards to verifying signatures:**

1. Do signatures have to be identical?

As part of the Signature Verification Committee their duty is to compare signatures, however we understand that the SVC are not handwriting experts. With that said it is at the discretion of the committee members to use their best judgment and to verify if these signatures are the same. The committee chair or committee members may request from the county clerk, election administrator, or voter registrar ahead of time signatures that are on file from the past six years. This may be provided electronically. The committee members must use their best judgement if the signatures match. The committee must decide by a majority vote that the signatures are of the same person, or not of the same person. The standard should be whether the two signatures could have been made by the same person.

2. When does the committee need to ask for copies of signatures within the past 6 years from the county clerk?

There is nothing in the Election code that states when this may be done. The committee members may ask for these documents of voters signatures in advance as long as it is reasonable. We recommend that this may be done within ample time to allow for the clerk to prepare all these documents. Electronic copies of these documents may be sent to the committee. Only committee members can request this.

3. What is a majority vote?

The Election Code does not state what constitutes as a majority of the SVC. Some counties will determine by the full committee, committee members present, or members of the subcommittees. Our recommendation is that the board comes to an agreement of what constitutes as a majority and that the committee use that throughout the process.

4. May the SVC keep notes?

The SVC may not disclose the results of the accepted and rejected ballots. With that, the committee may keep notes. Please keep in mind that these notes are subject to public information requests.

5. Are the carrier envelopes and applications public information?

Yes. A copy of an application for a ballot to be voted by mail is not available for public inspection, except to the voter seeking to verify that the information pertaining to the voter is accurate, until the first business day after the election day of the earliest occurring election for which the application is submitted. Originals of the applications and carrier envelopes are not available for public inspection until those materials are delivered to the general custodian of election records after the election. [86.014]

6. Does the SVC separate rejected and accepted ballots?

Yes. The SVC needs to separate the rejected and accepted ballots, because if the SVC has determined that the signatures are not those of the same person, the board may make a determination that the signatures are those of the same person by a majority vote of the board's membership. The EVBB **may not** determine whether a voter's signatures on the carrier envelope certificate and ballot application are those of the same person if the committee has determined that the signatures are those of the same person by the SVC. [87.027(j)]

7. When is the earliest the SVC can meet?

The first day the SVC can meet is 20 days before the Election. For November 3 of 2020, the earliest the SVC may meet is October 14, 2020. There is no county population requirement for meeting 20 days before Election Day.

8. Is there a limit on how many times the SVC may meet?

No. There is no limit on the times the SVC may meet. The clerk shall post notice of the time of each delivery. The notice must remain posted continuously for at least two days before the date of the delivery. [87.027(h)] Postings required by this section shall be made on the bulletin board used for posting notice of meetings of the commissioners court, in an election for which the county election board is established or a primary election, or of the governing body of the political subdivision in other elections. [87.027(k)] The SVC may meet after Election Day to verify signatures of late ballots, however that is to the discretion of the Early Voting Clerk.

9. May a vacancy be filled if the SVC has conveyed?

Yes. A vacancy on the committee shall be filled by appointment from the original list or from a new list submitted by the appropriate county chair. [87.027(d)]

**SITUATION 1:**  
**Voter's Signature does not Match**

1. As part of the Signature Verification Committee their duty is to compare signatures, however we understand that the SVC are not handwriting experts. With that said it is at the discretion of the committee members to use their best judgment and to verify if these signatures are the same. The committee chair or committee members may request from the county clerk, election administrator, or voter registrar ahead of time signatures that are on file from the past six years. This may be provided electronically. The committee members must use their best judgement if the signatures match. The committee must decide by a majority vote that the signatures are of the same person, or not of the same person. The standard should be whether the two signatures could have been made by the same person.
2. A majority vote must be decided by the committee members. For example if there are 5 members you may decide 3 out of 5 is a majority, or 4 out of 5. Once decided, the committee needs to be consist with that process. If you have subcommittees they must consist of at least two members each with the chair as the deciding vote.
3. If committee members are unsure whether a signature is that of the voter or not, they should put those aside. The committee may decide if all members will need to look at it as a whole or let the subcommittee's decide amongst themselves. If the committee is unsure of certain signatures, they may request from the county clerk, election administrator or voter registrar copies of signatures that are on file from the past six years.
4. A rejected signature must be decided by a majority vote. If there are subcommittees, the committee needs to decide whether the subcommittees may make a majority vote with the chair as the tie breaker if needed, or if they must put those potential rejected ballots aside and decide as whole which ones should be rejected by a majority.
5. Even if unsure the committee must make a decision whether to accept or reject a signature.
6. If the signature is rejected, the committee must place and separate the rejected and accepted carrier envelopes.
7. Once the committee has accepted and rejected all carrier envelopes, the committee has no authority to review the signatures again once delivered to the general custodian of the election.

**SITUATION 2:**  
**Voter's Signature is not on the Signature Line for the Carrier Envelope**

1. If a voter's signature does not appear on the signature line also known as the certificate of the carrier envelope, but is located elsewhere on the envelope, then the signature is valid. As long as the signature is somewhere on the envelope, then the signature would be valid.
2. What if the carrier envelope is signed by a witness? If the carrier envelope is witnessed, then there would be no signature the committee would compare to. However, that does not invalidate the signature. A carrier envelope may be witnessed, as long as the portion is completed correctly.



3. What if the ABBM is signed by the voter, but their carrier envelope is witnessed? A voter may complete their ABBM and then have their carrier envelope witnessed. An example of this would be if a person breaks their hand (or an injury that would prevent them from signing) after they submit their ABBM, the voter may have a person witness their carrier envelope. The answer would be the same if a person has someone witness their ABBM, however they signed their carrier envelope. This does not invalidate the signature, as long as the witness portion is completed correctly.
4. What if the signature that is signed by the witness on the carrier envelope and the application for ballot by mail do not match? A voter may have someone witness their application for ballot by mail and their carrier envelope. The voter does not have to use the same witness. As long as the witness has included the print of the person that cannot sign, affix their own signature to the document, print their own name, state their residence address or official title, if election officer. The only time a witness may not fill out their information would be if the witness is a relative within the 2nd degree by affinity or 3rd degree by consanguinity OR witness was physically living in the same dwelling as the voter at the time of witnessing the carrier, Sec. 85.0051(a),(e). If the witness fits under one of these categories, then they would need to include that on the carrier.

<p><b>SITUATION 3:</b></p> <p><b>Committee did not Separate Rejected and Accepted Ballots</b></p>
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1. If the committee does not separate the rejected and accepted carrier envelopes, do they have to start all over? No. If the committee cannot determine what carrier envelopes were accepted and rejected, then they would pass all carrier envelopes to the EVBB. There is nothing in the election code that states the SVC may review all carrier envelopes again. However, the EVBB has authority to review rejected signatures and overturn rejected decisions made by the SVC. [87.027(j)] Therefore, our office recommends that since the EVBB has the authority to review rejected signatures by the SVC that the carrier envelopes be forwarded to the EVBB to review. The SVC may still continue to verify signatures after this.
2. Our office recommends that the SVC comes up with a checklist of (1) what a majority is (2) how the committee will accept and reject signatures (3) how the committee will separate rejected and accepted signatures (4) whether the committee will choose to verify signatures electronically or paper, (5) how the committee will verify signatures if they choose to verify by electronic or paper (6) if using electronic verification, then have a number to call if a technical error occurs (7) if there are any signatures that are questionable, know where to separate them (8) know who is going to sign off on the ballot box for delivery to the general custodian of election and (9) set up a time to deliver the box to the custodian of election.



**SITUATION 4:  
Creating a Subcommittee**

1. If more than 12 members are appointed to serve on the signature verification committee, the early voting clerk may designate two or more subcommittees of not less than six members. If subcommittees have been designated, a determination under Subsection (i) of TEC is made by a majority of the subcommittee. [87.027(1)]
2. If the SVC has less than 12 members you still may have a subcommittee. Please keep in mind that the subcommittees need to be even. If there is an election where party alignment is indicated on the ballot, you should take that into consideration when making subcommittees. If possible, try to have different party alignment in each subcommittee. This should be done amongst the committee and before the committee begins verifying signatures. Whatever process is decided should be used throughout the whole verification process.
3. If a subcommittee is created the chair should be the tie breaker, therefore the chair should not be part of a subcommittee.
4. If there are subcommittees, the full signature verification committee needs to decide whether the subcommittees have authority to accept or reject ballots using a majority vote of the subcommittee members. Alternative, the whole committee could decide to give the subcommittee only authority to accept ballots and set aside rejected ballots and decide as whole which ones should be rejected by a majority.

## **APPENDIX B**

**This appendix will have examples of questions we see arise for an Early Voting Ballot Board and examples of common situations.**

**1. Our entity doesn't have any ballots by mail, do we have to have a ballot board?**

Yes. All entities must have a ballot board. An early voting ballot board shall be created in each election to process early voting results and provisional ballots from the territory served by the early voting clerk. [87.001] You must always appoint a ballot board because you will not know until Election Day whether there will be provisional ballots that need to be reviewed by the EVBB

**2. May the deputy early voting clerks or election day workers serve on the ballot board?**

This depends. Our office advises that a deputy early voting clerk may not serve on the EVBB. Duties conflict in scope and time for performance. An election day officer may serve on the EVBB. Please keep in mind that both duties may not be done at the same time.

**3. May the early ballot board members serve on the signature verification committee?**

Not recommended. Since the ballot board members may override a rejected signature decision by the committee, a ballot board member should not serve on the signature verification committee. [87.027]

**4. Do members from the ballot board have to be from different parties?**

Yes. The same number of members must be appointed from each list provided by political parties with party affiliation on the ballot. This includes all parties that have nominees on the general election ballot including the Libertarians and Green Party.

**5. What if our county does not have a chair from one of the political parties, what do we do?**

The party first needs to fill the vacancy of the party chair. Then the chair would be able to provide a list of names. If there is no vacancy filed then the Presiding Judge or County Election Board whichever is applicable should appoint members.

**6. If the EVBB is verifying signatures and not the SVC, when does the board need to ask for copies of signatures within the past 6 years from the county clerk?**

There is nothing in the Election code that states when this may be done. The board members may ask for these documents of voters signatures in advance as long as it is reasonable. We recommend that this may be done within ample time to allow for the clerk to prepare all these documents. Electronic copies of these documents may be sent to the board.

**7. What is a majority vote?**

The Election Code does not state what constitutes as a majority of the EVBB. Some counties will determine by the full board membership, board members present, or members of the subcommittees. Our recommendation is that the board comes to an agreement of what constitutes as a majority and that the board use that throughout the process.

#### 8. May the EVBB keep notes?

The EVBB may not disclose the results of the accepted and rejected ballots. With that, the board may keep notes. Please keep in mind that these notes are subject to public information requests.

#### 9. Are the carrier envelopes and applications public information?

Yes. A copy of an application for a ballot to be voted by mail is not available for public inspection, except to the voter seeking to verify that the information pertaining to the voter is accurate, until the first business day after the election day of the earliest occurring election for which the application is submitted. Originals of the applications and carrier envelopes are not available for public inspection until those materials are delivered to the general custodian of election records after the election. [86.014]

#### 10. Does the EVBB separate rejected and accepted ballots?

Yes. The EVBB needs to separate the rejected and accepted ballots. If the board did not separate rejected and accepted ballots and cannot determine which ones were accepted or rejected, the board will need to start the process over as they have the authority to do so.

#### 11. When is the earliest the EVBB can meet?

This depends on the population of the county. This is the same rule if your entity is in a county with this population and conducting an election jointly. Counties with a population of less than 100,000 may convene at the end of Early Voting by Personal Appearance (3rd day before). Ballots may not be counted until after the polls open on election day. Counties with a population of 100,000 or more may convene on the 8th day before the last day of the period of early voting (12th day before). EVBB may deliver ballots to the central counting station for early counting after the end of the early voting period. Results may not be released until the close of polls on election day.

	Regular Ballots by Mail	Late Ballots from Outside the US	Provisional Ballots <i>All Late Ballots</i>
<b>Counties</b> with a population of <u>less</u> than 100,000	After the end of Early Voting by Personal Appearance (3 <sup>rd</sup> day before)	*Final meeting no earlier than 6 <sup>th</sup> day after election day	**Final meeting no later than the 9th day after election (13 <sup>th</sup> in Nov. 2020).
<b>Counties</b> with a population of 100,000 or <u>more</u>	The 8 <sup>th</sup> day before the end of early voting (12 <sup>th</sup> day before)	*Final meeting no earlier than 6 <sup>th</sup> day after election day	**Final meeting no later than the 9th day after election (13 <sup>th</sup> in Nov. 2020).

**12. Is there a limit on how many times the EVBB may meet?**

No. There is no limit on the times the EVBB may meet. The clerk shall post notice each time the ballot board convenes. The clerk shall also post notice of delivery of ballots each time. The notice must remain posted 24 hours before delivery. The prescribed SOS form is AW6-6 (Mail ballots only) & AW6-7 (Mail and paper balloting materials). This notice must be posted at the main early voting polling place at least 24 hours prior to first delivery of ballots. [87.0222] In general elections for state and county officers, the county clerk/elections administrator must notify each county chair at least 24 hours of each delivery.

**13. May a vacancy be filled if EVBB has conveyed?**

Yes. A vacancy on the board shall be filled by appointment such as a vacancy for a presiding judge/alternate judge on Election Day. [32.007]

**SITUATION 1:  
Two Ballots in One Carrier Envelope**

**1. If you receive an envelope or package with two or more carrier envelopes from individuals registered at the same address inside may you accept the ballots?**

This depends. If you receive an envelope or package with two carrier envelopes from individuals registered at the same address inside and the carrier envelopes are separated (meaning two different carrier envelopes with two different ballots), then you may accept the ballots pending any other qualifications. If you receive an envelope or package with two or more carrier envelopes from individuals registered at the same address inside and the carrier envelopes are not separated (meaning two or more ballots are in one carrier), then you may not accept both ballots and they would be rejected. This scenario is often found when a couple mails both their ballots in the same carrier envelope.

**SITUATION 2:  
Carrier Envelope Witness/Assistant Portion Filled out Incorrectly**

**1. If you receive a carrier envelope with the witness/assistant portion filled out incorrectly, do you accept it?**

No. The Witness/Assistance portion must be filled out correctly.

3. If the Early Voting Clerk receives a timely carrier envelope that does not fully comply with the applicable requirements prescribed by this title, the clerk may deliver the carrier envelope in person or by mail to the voter and may receive, before the deadline, the corrected carrier envelope from the voter, or the clerk may notify the voter of the defect by telephone and advise the voter that the voter may come to the clerk's office in person to correct the defect or cancel the voter's application to vote by mail and vote on election day. If the early voting clerk chooses to do this with one voter, this must be applied uniformly to all carrier envelopes. A poll watcher is entitled to observe the procedures if this is done. This procedure may be used if the early voting clerk can determine that two carrier envelopes are in one

**SITUATION 3:**  
**Wrong Ballot in Wrong Carrier Envelope Delivered to Board**

These different scenarios are for a Primary/May Uniform Date Election. In the situations below this is where the county has contracted with local entities to serve as the local entities' early voting clerk, there is a concern that voters will return both ballots in a single carrier envelope.

**Scenario 1:**

The early voting ballot board ("EVBB") for the May 2, 2020 election is meeting to count ballots. They open a ballot secrecy envelope and there is a primary runoff ballot inside. As the ballot secrecy envelope would have been separated from the carrier envelope, there would be no way to determine which voter's ballot this is.

**Procedure for 1:**

This ballot cannot be counted nor retained in a carrier envelope to be forwarded to the EVBB for the runoff primary election. We suggest that the EVBB presiding judge make a notation on the ballot to explain the situation and why the ballot was not counted. The ballot should be stored in the envelope that contains the other rejected ballots (which will still be in their carrier envelopes). See Texas Election Code Section 87.043. Unfortunately, as there is no way to know which voter submitted this ballot, no notice of rejection can be sent to the voter. We note that there is no authority in the Texas Election Code ("the Code") to store a voted ballot outside of the jacket or carrier envelope. Additionally, while the EVBB qualified the voter's ballot with respect to the May 2, 2020 election, the EVBB did not qualify the ballot with respect to the runoff primary. The May 2, 2020 EVBB board does not have the authority to qualify a ballot for the runoff primary.

**Scenario 2a:**

The EVBB for the May 2, 2020 election reviews a carrier envelope (that is marked to show it is a carrier for the May 2, 2020 election) and determines it will accept the ballot. The EVBB proceeds to open the carrier envelope to remove the ballot secrecy envelope, but the ballot is not in a secrecy envelope. The EVBB is able to immediately determine that the ballot inside the carrier is a primary runoff ballot. In this scenario, the ballot is tied to a particular voter as the carrier envelope is still effectively with the ballot.

**Procedure for 2a:**

We recommend that the EVBB immediately put the ballot back in the carrier envelope and seal the envelope. The EVBB should deliver the carrier envelope to the early voting clerk, who should then place the carrier envelope in the jacket envelope for that voter for the primary runoff, ready to be forwarded to the EVBB for that election at the appropriate time. We also suggest that the presiding judge of the EVBB write a memo to detail what occurred, what actions were taken, and the date those actions were taken. The presiding judge and at least one other member of the EVBB should sign off on the memo. A copy of the memo should be placed in the voter's May 2, 2020 jacket envelope and a copy provided to the early voting clerk for placement in the voter's primary runoff jacket envelope. When the EVBB for the primary runoff election convenes and sees a carrier envelope for the May 2, 2020 election in the jacket envelope for the primary runoff, the memo will serve to inform that EVBB of what has occurred.

**Scenario 2b:**

As a corollary to scenario 2a, as the voter's May 2, 2020 carrier envelope contained the primary runoff ballot, it is possible that the primary runoff carrier contains the May 2, 2020 ballot. Can the early voting clerk take the runoff primary carrier and provide it to the May 2, 2020 EVBB for processing?

**Procedure for Scenario 2b:**

As we can identify the voter under these scenarios, and hopefully contact the voter, the chain of custody can be well established. Regarding the carrier envelope for the runoff, which presumably contains the May 2, 2020 entity ballot, we suggest that the early voting clerk call the voter (if possible) to see if voter can confirm that the May 2, 2020 ballot is probably in the runoff carrier envelope. If the voter confirms that s/he believes the ballot in the primary runoff carrier envelope is in fact the May 2, 2020 ballot (or if the early voting clerk is unable to reach voter), the early voting clerk may forward that carrier envelope to the May 2, 2020 election EVBB to process as normal, if able to do so in a timely manner. We do not recommend that the early voting clerk open the carrier envelope, with or without the voter's permission, to determine whether the carrier actually contains the May 2, 2020 ballot. Only the EVBB should be opening this carrier envelope, once the EVBB has determined that the carrier envelope was properly processed (signature comparison completed, voter eligibility determined, etc.). We do suggest that the early voting clerk write a memo to detail what occurred, what actions were taken, and the date those actions were taken, and place a copy of the memo in the voter's May 2, 2020 jacket envelope. Another copy should be placed in the voter's primary runoff jacket envelope.

**Scenario 3a:**

The EVBB for the May 2, 2020 election qualifies the carrier envelope and finds two ballots, each inside a separate ballot secrecy envelope or neither ballot in a ballot secrecy envelope.

**Procedure for Scenario 3a:**

We feel that under this limited circumstance, the EVBB may open the ballot secrecy envelopes, if used by the voter. (The EVBB has the discretion to open a ballot secrecy envelope in limited circumstances. For example, to see if there is a statement of residence included in the secrecy envelope rather than the carrier envelope. It is also not a requirement for a ballot to be in the secrecy envelope.) If one of the ballots is for the May 2, 2020 election and one is for the primary runoff election, the May 2, 2020 ballot may be counted. The primary runoff ballot cannot be counted. There is no authority for the EVBB to, for example, copy the carrier envelope for the May 2, 2020 election and place the runoff ballot back in the carrier envelope for forwarding to the primary runoff EVBB (as in scenario 2b, above). We suggest that the presiding judge of the EVBB makes a notation on the primary runoff ballot to explain the situation and why the ballot was not counted. The primary runoff ballot should be stored in the envelope that contains the rejected ballots (which will still be in their carrier envelopes). See Section 87.043. We recommend sending this voter a rejection letter, even though this EVBB is not the proper ballot board for the May 26, 2020 primary runoff ballot. As above, we recommend that a memo be written and signed by the EVBB presiding judge to detail actions taken. A copy of the memo should be placed in the voter's May 2, 2020 jacket envelope and a copy provided to the early voting clerk for placement in the voter's primary runoff jacket envelope.

**Scenario 3b:**

The EVBB for the May 2, 2020 election qualifies the carrier envelope, later discovers that the ballot secrecy envelope contains both a May 2, 2020 ballot and a primary runoff ballot.

**Procedure for 3b:**

As in 3a, the May 2, 2020 ballot may be counted, but the May 26, 2020 primary runoff ballot cannot. No notice can be sent to the voter as the identity of the voter cannot be determined by the time the error (2 ballots in one secrecy envelope) is discovered. Again, we suggest that the presiding judge of the EVBB make a notation on the rejected primary runoff ballot and store it with the rejected May 2, 2020 ballots.

**SITUATION 4:**

**Voters Mailing Address on ABBM is Different than Voter Registration Address on File**

1. If the grounds for voting by mail is either being 65 or over, or disability, and the applicant has not provided his or her official mailing address as shown on the list of registered voters as the address for mailing his or her ballot, the address provided must be that of a hospital, nursing home, other long term care facility, retirement center, or the address of a relative within the second degree of affinity or third degree of consanguinity with whom the applicant is living. If this information was not provided on the Application for Ballot by Mail, the ballot should be rejected per Section 87.041 of the Code.



# Exhibit 5

**From:** [Elections Internet](#)  
**To:** [Elections Internet](#)  
**Subject:** MASS EMAIL ADVISORY (CC/EA- 660)- 2020-07 - Ballot By Mail Reminders  
**Date:** Wednesday, February 12, 2020 8:11:22 AM  
**Attachments:** [image001.png](#)  
[ADV2020-07 - Ballot by Mail Reminders.pdf](#)  
[5-42 - Notice of Rejected Ballot \(rev02.2020\).pdf](#)  
**Sensitivity:** Personal

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Dear Election Officials,

Our office has issued [Advisory 2020-07 – Ballot by Mail Reminders](#). In addition to this advisory, we have also released a revised version of our [Notice of Rejected Ballot](#). Both the advisory and the revised form have been posted to our website. I've also attached them to this email for your convenience.

This advisory and other resources are located on our [Conducting Elections](#) pages.

**Christina Worrell Adkins**

Legal Director – Elections Division

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**For Voter Related Information, please visit:**



*The information contained in this email is intended to provide advice and assistance in election matters per §31.004 of the Texas Election Code. It is not intended to serve as a legal opinion for any matter. Please review the law yourself, and consult with an attorney when your legal rights are involved.*

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Secretary of State

## **ELECTION ADVISORY** **No. 2020-07**

**TO:** County Clerks/Elections Administrators  
**FROM:** Keith Ingram, Director of Elections  
**DATE:** February 11, 2020  
**RE:** Ballot by Mail Reminders

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "Keith Ingram", written over a light blue circular stamp.

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The purpose of this advisory is to remind county election officials of certain steps that must be taken with respect to the processing and rejection of mail ballots.

### **Timing of Processing Mail Ballots**

Pursuant to Section 87.0241 of the Texas Election Code, the early voting ballot board may determine whether to accept early voting ballots voted by mail at any time after the ballots are delivered to the board. (Sec. 87.0241(a)). The early voting ballot board may begin to count early voting ballots (1) when the polls open on election day; or (2) at the end of the early voting period, in the case of an election conducted by an authority of a county with a population of 100,000 or more or an election conducted jointly with such a county. (Sec. 87.0241(b)).

### **Notice of Rejected Ballot**

Section 87.0431 of the Texas Election Code outlines certain requirements for providing a voter with notice of a rejected mail ballot. If the early voting ballot board rejects a voter's ballot, the presiding judge of the early voting ballot board must notify the voter in writing of the reason for the rejection. This notice must be sent to the voter, at the residence address listed on the ballot by mail application, no later than the 10th day after election day. However, **our office recommends mailing notices of rejected ballots to affected voters as soon as possible.** For voters who requested a mail ballot with a Federal Postcard Application (FPCA), and receive their balloting materials via e-mail, the presiding judge shall also provide notice of the rejected ballot to the e-mail address to which the ballot was sent.

In accordance with Section 87.0431, the Secretary of State has prescribed a form for this purpose (Notice of Rejected Ballot, AW5-42). We are issuing a revised version of the Notice of Rejected Ballot along with this advisory. The revised notice includes an additional sentence advising the voter: "If you believe that your mail ballot was rejected in error, please contact your early voting clerk to determine what remedies may be available to you."

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### **Resolution of Incorrect Determination by Early Voting Ballot Board**

As a reminder, if a county election officer determines that a ballot was incorrectly rejected or accepted by the early voting ballot board before the time set for convening the canvassing authority, the county election officer may petition a district court for injunctive or other relief as the court determines appropriate. (Sec. 87.127(a)).

In an election ordered by the governor or the county judge, the county election officer must confer with and establish the agreement of the county chair of each political party before petitioning the district court. (Sec. 87.127(b)).

Please contact us at 1-800-252-VOTE (8683) or at [elections@sos.texas.gov](mailto:elections@sos.texas.gov) if you have any questions.

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## NOTICE OF REJECTED BALLOT

This is to serve as notice that your ballot for the \_\_\_\_\_ Election was rejected by the early voting ballot board and was not counted. If you believe that your mail ballot was rejected in error, please contact your early voting clerk to determine what remedies may be available to you.

Name of Voter \_\_\_\_\_  
VOID Number \_\_\_\_\_

Reason for Rejection: (Check As Appropriate)

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1) Certificate on carrier envelope was not properly executed.  
\_\_\_\_\_ You failed to sign your signature or make your mark.  
\_\_\_\_\_ The witness failed to indicate on the envelope that you could not make a mark.  
\_\_\_\_\_ The assistant or witness failed to print their name.  
\_\_\_\_\_ The assistant or witness failed to sign their name.  
\_\_\_\_\_ The residence address of the assistant or witness was not given.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2) It was determined that the signature on the application for ballot by mail and carrier envelope was not signed by the same person.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3) Application for ballot by mail did not state a legal ground for voting by mail.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4) Voter registration records indicated you did not have an effective registration for this election.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5) Address to which ballot was mailed was not outside the county. Voting early by mail due to expected absence from the county requires balloting materials be mailed to an address outside the county.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6) The residence address on the statement of residence is not located in the political subdivision conducting the election.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7) The mailing address on the application for ballot by mail did not match your voter registration address nor did the mailing address match any addresses provided on your statement of residence. Since you did not indicate on your application for a ballot by mail that you were having your ballot mailed to a hospital, retirement center, long term care facility, nursing home, jail, or a relative, your ballot was rejected.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8) The statement of residence was not included in the carrier envelope.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 9) No identification was included with your mail ballot.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 10) Other: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Early Voting Ballot Board Judge

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

### AVISO DE BOLETA RECHAZADA

Esto sirve como aviso de que su boleta para la Elección \_\_\_\_\_ fue rechazada por la Junta de Votación Anticipada y no fue contada. Si cree que su boleta por correo fue rechazada por error, comuníquese con su secretario de votación anticipada para determinar qué remedios pueden estar disponibles para usted.

Nombre del votante \_\_\_\_\_  
VUID (número único de identificación de votante) \_\_\_\_\_

La razón del rechazo fue (a continuación indique las razones):

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1) La constancia que aparece en el sobre de envío no se ejecutó en forma apropiada.  
\_\_\_\_\_ Le falta su firma o marca.  
\_\_\_\_\_ El testigo no anotó en el sobre que Ud. no podía hacer su marca.  
\_\_\_\_\_ El asistente o testigo no imprimió su nombre.  
\_\_\_\_\_ El asistente o testigo no firmó su nombre.  
\_\_\_\_\_ No se dio la dirección de residencia del asistente o testigo.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2) Se determinó que la firma en la solicitud de boleta postal y el sobre de envío no estaba firmada por la misma persona.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3) La solicitud de boleta postal no estableció un fundamento legal para votar por correo.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4) Las actas del registro electoral indican que en la fecha en que celebraron estas elecciones, usted no estaba inscrito como votante.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5) La dirección a la cual se envió la boleta no está ubicada fuera de este condado. Votar por anticipado por correo debido a la ausencia esperada del condado requiere que los materiales de votación sean enviados por correo a una dirección fuera del condado.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6) La dirección de residencia indicada en la declaración de residencia no se encuentra en la subdivisión política que lleva a cabo la elección.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7) La dirección postal indicada en la solicitud de boleta postal no coincidía con su dirección de registro de votante ni con la dirección postal incluida en su declaración de residencia. Dado que no indicó en su solicitud de boleta postal que estaba teniendo su boleta enviada por correo a un hospital, centro de jubilación, centro de cuidado a largo plazo, hogar de ancianos, cárcel o un pariente, su boleta fue rechazada.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8) La declaración de residencia no vino incluida en el sobre de envío.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 9) No incluyó ninguna identificación con su boleta por correo.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 10) Otra: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Firma del Juez de la Junta de Votación Anticipada

\_\_\_\_\_  
Fecha

# Exhibit 6

DO NOT REMOVE PERFORATED TABS. Moisten here and fold bottom to top to seal.

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**Application for Ballot by Mail**Prescribed by the Office of the Secretary of State of Texas  
A5-15 12/17For Official Use Only  
VUID #, County Election Precinct #,  
Statement of Residence, etc.

1	Last Name (Please print information)	Suffix (Jr., Sr., III, etc)	First Name	Middle Initial
2	Residence Address: See back of this application for instructions.		City	,TX ZIP Code
3	Mail my ballot to: If mailing address differs from residence address, please complete Box # 7.		City	State ZIP Code

4	Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) (Optional) <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> <div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div> <div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div> <div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div> <div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div> </div>	Contact Information (Optional)* Please list phone number <u>and/or</u> email address: * Used in case our office has questions.
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5	Reason for Voting by Mail: <input type="checkbox"/> 65 years of age or older. (Complete Box #6a) <input type="checkbox"/> Disability. (Complete Box #6a) <input type="checkbox"/> Expected absence from the county. (Complete Box #6b and Box #8) You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election <u>only</u> . <input type="checkbox"/> Confinement in jail. (Complete Box #6b) You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election <u>only</u> .	7 If you are requesting this ballot be mailed to a different address (other than residence), indicate where the ballot will be mailed. See reverse for instructions. <input type="checkbox"/> Mailing Address as listed on my voter registration certificate <input type="checkbox"/> Nursing home, assisted living facility, or long term care facility <input type="checkbox"/> Hospital <input type="checkbox"/> Retirement Center <input type="checkbox"/> Address of the jail <input type="checkbox"/> Relative; relationship _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Address outside the county (see Box #8)
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6a	ONLY Voters 65 Years of Age or Older or Voters with a Disability: If applying for one election, select appropriate box. If applying once for elections in the calendar year, select "Annual Application." <input type="checkbox"/> Annual Application <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div> <u>Uniform and Other Elections:</u>  <input type="checkbox"/> May Election  <input type="checkbox"/> November Election  <input type="checkbox"/> Other ____         </div> <div> <u>Primary Elections:</u>          You must declare <u>one</u> political party to vote in a primary:  <input type="checkbox"/> Democratic Primary  <input type="checkbox"/> Republican Primary         </div> </div> <input type="checkbox"/> Any Resulting Runoff	8 If you selected "expected absence from the county," see reverse for instructions <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> <div> <div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div> <div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div> <div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div> <div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div> </div> <div>—</div> <div> <div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div> <div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div> <div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div> <div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div> </div> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> <div>Date you can begin to receive mail at this address</div> <div>Date of return to residence address</div> </div>
	9 Voters may submit a completed, signed, and scanned application to the Early Voting Clerk at: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div>_____ (early voting clerk's e-mail address)</div> <div>_____ (early voting clerk's fax)</div> </div> NOTE: If you fax or e-mail this form, please be aware that you must also <u>mail</u> the form to the early voting clerk within four business days. See "Submitting Application" on the back of this form for additional information.	

6b	ONLY Voters Absent from County or Voters Confined in Jail: You may only apply for a ballot by mail for one election, and any resulting runoff. Please select the appropriate box. <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div> <u>Uniform and Other Elections:</u>  <input type="checkbox"/> May Election  <input type="checkbox"/> November Election  <input type="checkbox"/> Other ____         </div> <div> <u>Primary Elections:</u>          You must declare <u>one</u> political party to vote in a primary:  <input type="checkbox"/> Democratic Primary  <input type="checkbox"/> Republican Primary         </div> </div> <input type="checkbox"/> Any Resulting Runoff	10 "I certify that the information given in this application is true, and I understand that giving false information in this application is a crime." <div style="display: flex; align-items: center; margin-top: 20px;"> <div style="font-size: 2em; margin-right: 10px;">→</div> <div style="border: 2px solid black; padding: 10px; flex-grow: 1;"> <div style="font-size: 4em; text-align: center; margin-bottom: 10px;">X</div> <div style="text-align: right;">Date</div> </div> </div> SIGN HERE If applicant is unable to sign or make a mark in the presence of a witness, the witness shall complete Box #11.
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If someone helped you to complete this form or mails the form for you, then that person must complete the sections below.

11	See back for Witness and Assistant definitions. If applicant is unable to mark Box #10 and you are acting as a <b>Witness</b> to that fact, please check this box and sign below. <input type="checkbox"/> If you assisted the applicant in completing this application in the applicant's presence or e-mailed/mailed or faxed the application on behalf of the applicant, please check this box as an <b>Assistant</b> and sign below. <input type="checkbox"/> *If you are acting as <b>Witness and Assistant</b> , please check <u>both boxes</u> . Failure to complete this information is a Class A misdemeanor if signature was witnessed or applicant was assisted in completing the application.		
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TO: EARLY VOTING CLERK



Instructions for Application for Ballot by Mail

**Residence Address** - Give full address as shown on your voter registration certificate. If you have moved within the county but not yet changed your voter registration address with the voter registrar, indicate your new residence address.

**Mail Ballot To** - Give full address where you wish to have ballot mailed, if the address is different from your residence address.

**Mailing Ballot to a Different Address** - Your ballot must be mailed to your home where you live or to your mailing address on your voter registration certificate. There are some exceptions that allow you to have your ballot mailed to a different location as specified below.

Reason for voting by mail	Location to mail ballot
65 or disabled	Nursing home, assisted living/retirement center, relative, hospital
In jail	Address of jail or relative
Absent from county	Address located outside of county

**Expected Absence from County** - If you chose expedited absence from county, you must expect to be absent from the county on election day and during the hours of early voting in person or for the remainder of the early voting period after you submit your application. **Your ballot must be mailed to an address outside the county.** Important: Give date you can begin to receive mail at the address given.

**Annual Application** - If you are 65 years of age or older, or disabled you may apply to receive all ballots by mail for a calendar year. If you do not select any elections in Box 6a, your application will be considered an Annual Application. If you submit an annual application for a ballot by mail, your application may be forwarded to other entities holding elections where you are a qualified voter. This means that you may receive a ballot for those elections in addition to the ballot(s) you requested with this application.

Submitting Application

**1. Sign and date your application** - If unable to sign, please go to Witness/Address boxes (11 on reverse) and have a person witness your mark. Witness/Assistant instructions follow below.

**2. Deliver to Early Voting Clerk** - You may submit your application via these methods:

**In Person:** Only the applicant may submit their application in person to the Early Voting Clerk until the early voting period begins. However, after the early voting period begins for an election, the applicant may only submit their application via mail, common contract carrier, fax, or e-mail.

**By Mail:** You may mail your application via the U.S. Postal Service.

**By Common Contract Carrier:** You may submit via a common or contract carrier which is a bona fide, for profit carrier.

**By Fax:** You may fax your application to the Early Voting Clerk. Please contact your Early Voting Clerk or the Secretary of State's Office for fax numbers.

**By E-Mail:** You may e-mail a signed, scanned image of your application to the Early Voting Clerk. Please contact your Early Voting Clerk or the Secretary of State's Office for e-mail addresses.

**IF YOU FAX OR E-MAIL YOUR APPLICATION TO THE EARLY VOTING CLERK, YOU MUST ALSO MAIL THE APPLICATION SO THAT THE CLERK RECEIVES IT NO LATER THAN THE FOURTH BUSINESS DAY AFTER THE DAY THE CLERK RECEIVED YOUR FAXED OR EMAILED APPLICATION.** If you fax or e-mail your application by the deadline noted below, your application will be considered complete and timely as long as the original is received by the early voting clerk by the fourth business day after it was submitted by fax or e-mail.

Deadline

Your application must be received by the early voting clerk of the local entity conducting the election not later than the 11th day before election day. If the 11th day is a weekend or holiday, the deadline is the first preceding business day. You may submit an application throughout the calendar year, beginning January 1. Please remember that the application must be received not later than the 11th day before the first election in which you seek to vote by mail.

If you submit an Annual Application for Ballot by Mail within 60 days before an election that takes place in the following calendar year, your application will be valid for any election that takes place in the following calendar year, regardless of the fact that your application was submitted prior to the end of the preceding calendar year. This applies to Annual Applications only and not to a regular application for ballot by mail.

Witness/Assistant Section

**Witness:** If you are unable to sign your name (due to a physical disability or illiteracy), the application may be signed at Box #11 for you by a Witness. You must affix your mark to the application in Box #10 or, if you are unable to make a mark, then the Witness must check the appropriate box in 11 indicating he inability to make a mark. The Witness must state his/her name in printed form and indicate his/her relationship to you or, if unrelated, state that fact. The Witness must sign and provide his or her printed name and residence address. Unless the Witness is a close relative of the voter (parent, grandparent, spouse, child or sibling), it is a Class B misdemeanor for a person to witness more than one application for ballot by mail.

**Assistant:** If a person (other than a close relative or person registered to vote at the same address) assists you in completing this application in your presence or mails/faxes/e-mails this application on your behalf, then that person must complete Box #11. The Assistant must sign, provide his or her printed name, and his or her residence address. A person commits a Class A misdemeanor if the person provides assistance without providing the information described above unless a close relative or registered at your address.

If you have further questions or need additional assistance, please contact your Early Voting Clerk or The Secretary of State's office at 1-800-252-8683 or [www.sos.state.tx.us](http://www.sos.state.tx.us).

# Exhibit 7

# The State of Texas



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P.O. Box 12060  
Austin, Texas 78711-2060  
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Phone: 512-463-5650  
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Dial 7-1-1 For Relay Services  
(800) 252-VOTE (8683)

Ruth R. Hughes  
Secretary of State

Dear Voter:

Thank you for choosing to exercise your right to vote by mail. When you vote by mail, you may take the following steps to protect your ballot and your vote.

1. **Know your rights as a voter:** You have the right to vote for the candidates of your choice. You have the right to mark your own ballot or to receive assistance with reading or marking your ballot from a person you know and trust. Your vote is secret. If a person assists you with reading or marking your ballot, it is a crime for that person to reveal how or for whom you voted.
2. **Be careful about assistance:** No one should help you with your ballot, unless you cannot read the language written on the ballot or unless you have a disability that makes you unable to write or to see. If one of these conditions applies to you, we recommend that you ask a family member or trusted friend for assistance with your ballot. The person assisting you must mark your ballot according to your instruction and **cannot suggest how you should vote**. The assistant must place his or her name, address, and signature on the carrier envelope.
3. **Mail your own ballot:** If you can't mail your own ballot, give your ballot to a family member or trusted friend to mail for you. Do not accept offers from strangers to mail your ballot. Unless an exception applies, a ballot postmarked by Election Day (Saturday, May 2, 2020) must be received by the early voting clerk no later than **5:00 pm on Monday, May 4, 2020**. If there is no postmark, the early voting clerk must receive these ballots by **7:00 pm on Election Day**.

**Exceptions:** Ballots sent by **non-military and any military voters** casting ballots from **outside of the United States**, who submitted a regular state application for a ballot by mail (not a Federal Postcard Application) **AND** whose ballots are postmarked by 7:00 pm on Election Day must be received by the early voting clerk no later than **Thursday, May 7, 2020**. Ballots submitted by military voters and their dependents who submitted a Federal Postcard Application must be received by the early voting clerk no later than **Friday, May 8, 2020**; no postmark is necessary on this category of ballots.

**NOTE:** You may have received ballots and balloting materials from more than one political subdivision. If so, please be very sure to check the name of the election on the top of the ballot before you seal it in the ballot secrecy envelope, and match it to the name of the election that appears on the bottom, right side of the back of the carrier envelope, to make sure that you are returning each ballot in the correct carrier envelope for that ballot. This will ensure that each ballot is delivered to the proper early voting clerk. **DO NOT** put more than one ballot in the carrier envelope.

**If anyone attempts to pressure or intimidate you, we urge you to report this to your county election office, your district attorney, or our office at 1-800-252-VOTE (8683).**

Early voting in person begins April 20, 2020 and continues through April 28, 2020. Election Day is May 2, 2020. You may contact your county election office for the locations and hours of operation for your early voting sites. If you change your mind about voting by mail and would prefer to vote in person, you must take your mail ballot with you and cancel it at the polling place. You may then vote in person, either during the early voting period or on Election Day.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ruth R. Hughes", enclosed in a rectangular box.

Ruth R. Hughes  
Secretary of State

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# Exhibit 8



Texas Secretary of State  
Ruth R. Hughs

COVID-19 - As recommended precautions continue to increase for COVID-19, the James E. Rudder Building will be closed to visitors and customers beginning Wednesday, March 18, 2020. The Office of the Secretary of State is committed to continuing to provide services to ensure business and public filings remain available 24/7 through our online business service, [SOSDirect](#) or use the new [SOSUpload](#). Thank you in advance for your patience during this difficult time. [Information on Testing Sites is now available.](#)

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## Application for a Ballot by Mail

To be eligible to vote early by mail in Texas, you must:

- be 65 years or older;
- be disabled;
- be out of the county on election day and during the period for early voting by personal appearance; or
- be confined in jail, but otherwise elig ble.

### Instructions for submitting an Application for Ballot by Mail ("ABBM"):

1. [Print \(PDF\)](#) the ABBM form
2. OR submit an [order online](#) and an ABBM will be mailed to you.
3. Complete Sections 1 through 8.
4. Sign and Date Section 10.
5. If you were unable to sign the application and someone witnessed your signature, that person must complete Section 11.
6. If someone helped you complete the application or mailed the application for you, that person must complete Section 11.
7. Affix postage.
  - a. If you printed the application you must place it in your own envelope and add postage.
  - b. If you ordered the application online and it was mailed to you - fold the application in half, moisten top tab, seal and add postage.
8. Address and mail the completed ABBM to the Early Voting Clerk in your county. You may also fax the application if a fax machine is available in the early voting clerk's office. You also have the option of submitting a **scanned** copy of the **completed and signed** application to the Early Voting Clerk via email. If an ABBM is faxed or emailed, then the original, hard copy of the application **MUST** be mailed and received by the early voting clerk no later than the 4th business day.
  - a. The Early Voting Clerk is the County Clerk or Elections Administrator for your county
  - b. [Contact information](#), including fax numbers if available, and email addresses for the Early Voting Clerks are available on this website.

**NOTICE: DO NOT MAIL, FAX, OR EMAIL COMPLETED APPLICATIONS FOR BALLOT BY MAIL TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE'S OFFICE. ALL APPLICATIONS RECEIVED BY THIS OFFICE WILL BE REJECTED.**

Military and overseas voters are welcome to use the regular registration and early voting by mail process available to all voters away from their home county on Election Day. However, there are also [special provisions for military and overseas voters](#).

For more information, please [read](#) the Early Voting in Texas pamphlet.

# Exhibit 9

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
SAN ANTONIO DIVISION

DR. GEORGE RICHARDSON;  
ROSALIE WEISFELD; AUSTIN JUSTICE  
COALITION; COALITION OF TEXANS  
WITH DISABILITIES; MOVE TEXAS  
CIVIC FUND; LEAGUE OF WOMEN  
VOTERS OF TEXAS; and AMERICAN GI  
FORUM OF TEXAS, INC.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

TEXAS SECRETARY OF STATE; TRUDY  
HANCOCK, in her official  
capacity as BRAZOS COUNTY  
ELECTIONS ADMINISTRATOR; and  
PERLA LARA, in her official  
capacity as CITY OF McALLEN,  
TEXAS, SECRETARY,

Defendants.

Civil Case No.  
5:19-cv-00963-OLG

**CERTIFIED  
TRANSCRIPT**

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VIDEOTAPED REMOTE 30(b)(6) DEPOSITION OF  
TRUDY HANCOCK  
May 5, 2020  
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VIDEOTAPED REMOTE 30(b)(6) DEPOSITION OF  
TRUDY HANCOCK, produced as a witness at the  
instance of the Plaintiffs, and duly sworn, was  
taken in the above-styled and numbered cause on  
May 5, 2020, from 1:44 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., remotely  
before Rebecca A. Graziano, CSR, RPR, CRR, in and  
for the State of Texas, reported by machine  
shorthand, pursuant to the Federal Rules of Civil  
Procedure and the provisions stated on the record.

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Mr. Bruce Erratt (via videoconference)

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PROCEEDINGS

(On the record at 1:44 p.m.)

(Witness duly sworn.)

TRUDY HANCOCK,

being first duly sworn, testified as follows:

EXAMINATION

BY MR. KALAR:

Q Hello again, Ms. Hancock.

Do you understand that this portion of the deposition -- or in this portion of the deposition, you will be testifying on behalf of Brazos County?

A Yes, sir.

Q And all the guidelines that I talked about this morning in terms of talking over each other, sharing of documents, things like that, those are all in effect. Does that make sense?

A Yes, sir.

Q Okay. And once again, can you please state your full name for the record?

A Trudy Hancock.

Q And what is your current position?

A Elections administrator for Brazos County.

Q And other than what we talked about this morning, what did you do to prepare for this

1 Q Is there any special knowledge, skills, or  
2 training required to be an early voting ballot  
3 board member?

4 A Not to my knowledge.

5 Q And where does the EVBB meet?

6 A It meets at -- in the Ruth McLeod Training  
7 Room in my office.

8 Q And where is that physically in relation  
9 to the rest of your staff?

10 A It's just a different room adjoining our  
11 normal office space.

12 Q And did the EVBB use that during every  
13 election?

14 A Since I've been here, yes.

15 Q And has your office moved at all since you  
16 began working for Brazos County?

17 A Yes.

18 Q All right. Where did it move?

19 A We were at 302 East 24th Street.

20 Q And when did you move?

21 A December of '18.

22 Q And prior to December of 2018, did the  
23 EVBB meet at your old office?

24 A Yes.

25 Q And that old office is where you were

1 during your entire time with Brazos County up  
2 until December 2018; correct?

3 A Correct.

4 Q Who provides funding for the EVBB's work?

5 A I don't understand what you mean by  
6 "funding."

7 Q Does the EVBB use office supplies, for  
8 example?

9 A Yes.

10 Q And where do they get those?

11 A We furnish them pens and letter openers.

12 Q Apologies. You broke up there at the end.

13 A We provide them letter openers and pens.

14 Q "We" being the election administrator's  
15 office; correct?

16 A Yes.

17 Q Do you provide them with anything else?

18 A No, sir.

19 Q What training does Brazos County provide  
20 to members of the EVBB?

21 A None.

22 Q Does Brazos County provide any training to  
23 EVBB members related to signature comparison?

24 A No.

25 Q To your knowledge, does anybody else

1 provide such training?

2 A No.

3 Q The Texas Election Code does not specify  
4 any signature comparison training that must be  
5 provided to the EVBB members; correct?

6 A Correct.

7 Q The Texas Election Code does not prohibit  
8 Brazos County from providing signature comparison  
9 training to EVBB members; correct?

10 A Correct.

11 Q What are the duties and obligations of an  
12 EVBB member?

13 A They qualify the ballots-by-mail to be  
14 counted in an election.

15 Q Anything else?

16 A No.

17 Q While performing their service, where can  
18 an EVBB member turn if they have questions about  
19 their obligations?

20 A To the EVBB judge.

21 Q And where can the EVBB judge turn if he  
22 has questions about his obligations?

23 A Well, I would guess the handbook that's  
24 provided by the Secretary of State.

25 Q And the Brazos County elections

1 Q And do you recognize that name as one of  
2 the plaintiffs in this case?

3 A Yes, sir.

4 Q And based on this form, was  
5 Dr. Richardson's ballot rejected in the 2018  
6 general election due to a perceived signature  
7 mismatch by the EVBB?

8 A Yes.

9 Q Have you ever performed an analysis of  
10 Dr. Richardson's signatures?

11 A No.

12 Q I'm going to stop sharing now. Let me  
13 know when that's off the screen.

14 A It's off.

15 Q How many ballots does Brazos County reject  
16 every election due to signature mismatch?

17 A I do not have that information available.

18 Q What records would show that?

19 A If the -- receipt for the ballots returned  
20 from the board.

21 Q I'm sorry. Can you repeat that last part?

22 A It's a form called a "receipt for  
23 ballots," and it has how many ballots were  
24 received by the board, how many were rejected by  
25 the board, and how many were sent for counting.



1 Q In this most recent 2020 primary election,  
2 the EVBB met in your office; correct?

3 A In the Ruth McLeod Training Room, yes.

4 Q And you were present while they were  
5 meeting?

6 A Not in the room, but yes, in my office.

7 Q During that time, did they make any  
8 requests for additional signatures?

9 A I do not remember.

10 Q Do you have any reason to think one way or  
11 the other?

12 A No.

13 Q Did they make such a request during the  
14 2018 general election?

15 A I do not remember.

16 Q How about during the 2016 general  
17 election?

18 A I do not remember.

19 Q When the EVBB makes such a request, is  
20 there any record of it?

21 A After the documents are printed, they're  
22 put in a jacket envelope for the -- that contains  
23 all the voter -- the ballot-by-mail information.

24 Q And are those the records that are  
25 shredded after 22 months?

1 A Yes.

2 Q But in those interim 22 months, those  
3 records would be available; correct?

4 A Correct.

5 Q And so it could be inferred that any  
6 ballot that is accompanied by those records is one  
7 for which the EVBB requested additional  
8 signatures; correct?

9 A Correct.

10 Q Did you find any such ballots and records  
11 pursuant to the searches you did to respond to the  
12 discovery requests in this case?

13 A No.

14 Q Do you have a sense -- how often does the  
15 EVBB judge make a request for these records while  
16 the EVBB is meeting?

17 A It just varies.

18 Q Does it happen at least once every  
19 election?

20 A Normally.

21 Q Does it ever happen dozens of times per  
22 election?

23 A No.

24 Q So you previously said that Brazos County  
25 has decided not to use a signature verification

1 Brazos County's responsibilities and  
2 duties during the early voting period and  
3 the actions that Brazos County takes to  
4 execute those responsibilities.

5 And my questioning --

6 MR. MAGEE: What was your question  
7 again?

8 MR. KALAR: -- in this area will be  
9 very light.

10 MR. MAGEE: What was your question?

11 MR. KALAR: What discussions has  
12 Ms. Hancock had in her office in preparing  
13 for mail-in ballot voting in response to  
14 the COVID-19 crisis.

15 MR. MAGEE: And you said your  
16 question is going to be brief?

17 MR. KALAR: Yeah. There will be  
18 very few questions in this area.

19 MR. MAGEE: Okay.

20 BY MR. KALAR:

21 **Q You can answer the question, Ms. Hancock.**

22 A We've discussed the likelihood of an  
23 increase in ballot-by-mail requests due to people  
24 not wanting to appear in the polling place.

25 **Q And is it the expectation of Brazos County**

1 that mail-in ballot voting will increase?

2 A Yes.

3 Q And is the county doing anything to  
4 prepare for that?

5 A Just purchased some supplies.

6 Q Anything else?

7 A No.

8 MR. KALAR: So I only have a  
9 handful -- or a medium-sized handful of  
10 questions left, and I think it would be  
11 sped up if we took a brief break right now  
12 and then we can come back and finish up,  
13 if that works for everybody.

14 MR. ERRATT: Sure.

15 MR. KALAR: Great. How about we  
16 reconvene at 4:15 and we can wrap up after  
17 that.

18 Or excuse me. 4:15 Eastern time;  
19 3:15 Central time.

20 MR. ERRATT: That would be fine.

21 MR. KALAR: Great. Can we go off  
22 the record?

23 THE REPORTER: We are off the  
24 record.

25 (Recess from 3:02 p.m. to 3:17 p.m.)

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REPORTER'S CERTIFICATION  
REMOTE VIDEOTAPED 30(b)(6) DEPOSITION OF  
TRUDY HANCOCK  
May 5, 2020

I, Rebecca A. Graziano, Certified Shorthand  
Reporter in and for the State of Texas, hereby  
certify to the following:

That the witness, TRUDY HANCOCK, was duly  
sworn and that the transcript of the oral  
deposition is a true record of the testimony given  
by the witness;

I further certify that pursuant to FRCP Rule  
30(f)(1) that the signature of the deponent:

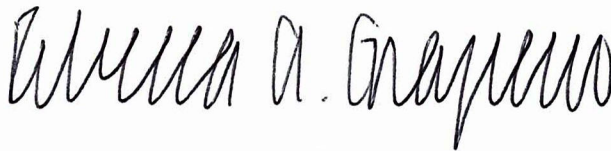
1            \_\_\_\_ was requested by the deponent or a  
2            party before the completion of the deposition and  
3            returned within 30 days from date of receipt of  
4            the transcript. If returned, the attached Changes  
5            and Signature Page contains any changes and the  
6            reasons therefor.

7            \_\_\_\_ was not requested by the deponent or a  
8            party before the completion of the deposition.

9            I further certify that I am neither attorney  
10           nor counsel for, related to, nor employed by any  
11           of the parties to the action in which this  
12           testimony was taken.

13           Further, I am not a relative or employee of  
14           any attorney of record in this cause, nor do I  
15           have a financial interest in the action.

16           Subscribed and sworn to on this \_\_\_\_ day of  
17           \_\_\_\_\_, 2020.

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19  
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22           Rebecca A. Graziano, CSR, RPR, CRR  
23           Texas CSR No. 9306  
24           Expiration Date: 07/31/22  
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PERLA LARA, in her official  
capacity as CITY OF McALLEN,  
TEXAS, SECRETARY,

Defendants.

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REMOTE VIDEOTAPED DEPOSITION OF  
TRUDY HANCOCK  
May 5, 2020  
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(On the record at 9:39 a.m.)

(Witness duly sworn.)

TRUDY HANCOCK,

being first duly sworn, testified as follows:

EXAMINATION

BY MR. KALAR:

Q Good morning, Ms. Hancock.

A Good morning.

Q My name is Sam Kalar, and I'm an attorney representing the plaintiffs in this case, and I will be taking your deposition today.

First things off, please state and spell your first name.

A Trudy Hancock, T-r-u-d-y, H-a-n-c-o-c-k.

Q I'd like to go over a few general rules to make sure we're both on the same page about how things should go today.

Have you ever been deposed before?

A Yes.

Q This might all sound familiar.

So in addition to being videotaped, my questions and your answers are being recorded by a court reporter. Because of this, I'm going to ask that you give verbal answers so that the record is

1 for three years for the county clerk for Robertson  
2 County.

3 Q And what was your position there?

4 A Deputy clerk.

5 Q And have you ever been subject to any  
6 professional disciplinary action?

7 A No, sir.

8 Q As the Brazos County elections  
9 administrator, you're responsible for the  
10 administration of elections conducted in Brazos  
11 County; correct?

12 A Correct.

13 Q And it's your responsibility to develop  
14 and implement policies to ensure that Brazos  
15 County's elections run properly; correct?

16 A Correct.

17 Q And it is your responsibility to develop  
18 and implement policies to ensure that Brazos  
19 County elections take place in accordance with the  
20 Texas Election Code; correct?

21 A Correct.

22 Q It is also your responsibility to make  
23 sure that Brazos County elections comply with  
24 federal law; correct?

25 A Correct.

1 as far as the canvass.

2 Q And generally speaking, what is your job  
3 or your responsibilities when you're not preparing  
4 for an election?

5 A Day to day, we do voter -- we accept voter  
6 registration applications, updates, changes,  
7 anything that comes across the web portal from  
8 DPS, social security for expired status. Mostly  
9 voter registration during the off time.

10 Q Anything else?

11 A No. Just starting to prepare for whatever  
12 the next election is.

13 Q Is anyone else responsible for the  
14 administration of elections conducted in Brazos  
15 County?

16 A Well, I'm not sure how to answer that.  
17 The city secretaries are -- they  
18 oversee the elections for the cities, the  
19 superintendent for the schools oversees -- they  
20 oversee their elections, but we contract with  
21 those entities and, you know, we handle the  
22 logistics of it all.

23 Q And are you, as the elections  
24 administrator, at the top of the pyramid when it  
25 comes to administering elections in Brazos County?

**for Robertson County?**

A Yes, sir.

**Q But not every year?**

A I attend every year, but I couldn't tell you what the first year was that I attended.

**Q And you've attended the Secretary of State conference every year since you worked for both Robertson and Brazos Counties?**

A Correct.

**Q And do you ever provide -- yourself, do you provide any training to anyone throughout the year?**

A We provide the training for election workers, early voting, and election day elec- -- election workers and judges.

**Q And when you say "we," do you mean you personally or your office?**

A Myself and my staff.

**Q And what does that training involve?**

A Election day procedures, how to set up your polling places, voting procedures, what's required when someone doesn't have an ID or if they need to change their address. Just different procedures throughout the day. How to close down your polling place at night and then bringing the

1 equipment back to central count to have -- to have  
2 the ballots counted.

3 Q Anything else?

4 A No.

5 Q And other than these poll workers, is  
6 there anybody else you train throughout the year?

7 A No, sir.

8 Q Have you ever been accused of -- have you  
9 ever received any training specific to mail-in  
10 ballots signature comparisons?

11 A No, sir.

12 Q And that's been while you've been at  
13 Brazos County and prior to that at Robertson  
14 County?

15 A Correct.

16 Q To your knowledge, has anyone on your  
17 staff been trained in comparing or analyzing  
18 signatures?

19 A No, sir.

20 Q Generally speaking, what rules or  
21 regulations do you follow to administer Brazos  
22 County elections?

23 A The election code and advisories from the  
24 Secretary of State's office.

25 Q Anything else?



1       A       No. They are only there for the hiring  
2 process, and then if there's a problem, that's  
3 where -- if I was to be terminated, that's where  
4 it would originate.

5       Q       So since you became the Brazos County  
6 elections administrator, you haven't interacted  
7 with the board again?

8       A       No, sir.

9       Q       Or excuse me. The commission.

10      A       No, sir.

11      Q       Other than what we've just discussed, do  
12 you refer to or otherwise use the Texas Election  
13 Code as part of your job as the elections  
14 administrator?

15      A       Yes.

16      Q       How so?

17      A       Just to make sure that our office is  
18 running properly and that we follow the code as  
19 best we can.

20      Q       As the Brazos County elections  
21 administrator, you oversee Brazos County's mail-in  
22 voting process; correct?

23      A       Correct.

24      Q       What are your responsibilities of either  
25 you or your office with respect to mail-in voting?

1       A       We accept the applications either by a  
2 voter bringing in an application, faxing it,  
3 emailing it, or sending by the post office. We  
4 receive those applications, process them to make  
5 sure that they qualify. And then if they qualify,  
6 we process them and send their ballots, and then  
7 we receive those ballots back.

8       **Q       Anything else?**

9       A       No.

10      **Q       And what procedures do you follow**  
11 **throughout that process?**

12      A       When the application comes in, it's  
13 file-stamped with the date it's received. It's  
14 given to the ballot clerk. She qualifies that to  
15 make sure that all the required doc- -- all the  
16 required elements are on the application. If it  
17 is, then it's processed through the state  
18 database. Then labels are issued, placed on the  
19 envelope; a ballot is printed, put in that  
20 envelope, and mailed to the voter.

21      **Q       Anything else?**

22      A       When we receive the ballot back, it's also  
23 tracked through the state database and placed into  
24 a secure box until it goes to the early voting  
25 ballot board.

1 Q Anything else?

2 A No, sir.

3 Q And do you serve as the early voting clerk  
4 for Brazos County?

5 A Correct.

6 Q And as the early voting clerk, you have  
7 authority over the early voting process in Brazos  
8 County; correct?

9 A Correct.

10 Q Are you aware that the Texas Election Code  
11 states that the early voting clerk has the same  
12 duties and authority with respect to early voting  
13 as a presiding election judge has with respect to  
14 regular voting?

15 A Yes.

16 Q And what does that mean to you?

17 A That we follow those procedures for early  
18 voting, walk-in, and mail.

19 Q Does it mean that you're in charge of and  
20 responsible for the management of the early voting  
21 process?

22 A Yes.

23 Q And as the Brazos County early voting  
24 clerk, you have responsibilities throughout the  
25 mail-in ballot process; correct?

1 A To a certain point. As far as the statute  
2 allows.

3 Q So just walking through some of those  
4 responsibilities. You're responsible for mailing  
5 voters a mail-in ballot application if requested  
6 by the voter; correct?

7 A Correct.

8 Q And you're responsible for reviewing each  
9 application for a mail-in ballot; correct?

10 A Correct.

11 Q And you're responsible for providing an  
12 official ballot to a qualifying mail-in voter?

13 A Correct.

14 Q And you're responsible for providing  
15 ballot envelopes and carrier envelopes to voters?

16 A Correct.

17 Q And then you're responsible for receiving  
18 all mail-in ballots submitted by voters?

19 A Correct.

20 Q And it is your responsibility, as the  
21 early voting clerk, to accept or reject mail-in  
22 ballot applications; correct?

23 A Applications, yes.

24 Q And it is your responsibility, as the  
25 early voting clerk, to accept or reject carrier

1 envelopes submitted by voters using mail-in  
2 ballots; correct?

3 A Correct.

4 Q So throughout this mail-in ballot process,  
5 the Texas Election Code requires that voters  
6 receive notice and an opportunity to correct any  
7 ballot applications or carrier envelopes that are  
8 rejected; correct?

9 A Can you restate -- rephrase that -- ask  
10 that again?

11 Q Sure.

12 If a mail-in ballot application is  
13 rejected, the Texas Election Code requires that  
14 you, as the early voting clerk, notify the voter  
15 that their application has been rejected; correct?

16 A Correct.

17 Q And if a mail-in ballot application is  
18 rejected, the Texas Election Code also requires  
19 that you, as the early voting clerk, deliver a new  
20 application to the applicant; correct?

21 A Correct.

22 Q And along with the new application, you  
23 must also provide an explanation of why the prior  
24 application was rejected; correct?

25 A Correct.

1 Q And you must also provide instructions for  
2 submitting the second application; correct?

3 A Correct.

4 Q And if you, as the early voting clerk,  
5 receive a timely carrier envelope that is  
6 defective, the Texas Election Code states that you  
7 may notify the voter of the defects in person, by  
8 mail, or over the phone; correct?

9 A Correct.

10 Q And then you would provide them an  
11 opportunity to correct the problem; correct?

12 A Yes.

13 Q Does your office have a policy stating how  
14 notice of a defective carrier envelope is  
15 provided?

16 A We send a letter.

17 Q And did that policy exist when you became  
18 the Brazos County election administrator?

19 A Yes, it did.

20 Q You also had the option to provide notice  
21 in person or over the phone; correct?

22 A Correct.

23 Q Have you ever considered doing that?

24 A No, sir.

25 Q And who drafts these letters with the

1 notice?

2 A It's a form letter that's drafted -- it's  
3 in the forms catalog from the Secretary of State's  
4 office.

5 Q And who fills out that form?

6 A The ballot-by-mail clerk.

7 Q And that's one of your subordinates;  
8 correct?

9 A Correct.

10 Q And do they physically mail out the notice  
11 then?

12 A Yes.

13 And we are speaking of the notice for  
14 the application; correct?

15 Q Both, I guess.

16 Let's -- just to clarify, for the  
17 notice if an application is rejected, what  
18 happens?

19 A The ballot-by-mail clerk would then send  
20 them a letter and a new application.

21 Q And if a carrier envelope is defective and  
22 rejected, how is notice provided?

23 A We do not reject the envelope. The only  
24 thing we can do is look at the signature.  
25 Sometimes we'll receive those back without a

1 signature on those, and we do return the unsigned  
2 ones to that voter for them to sign that carrier  
3 envelope and return it. But that's the only  
4 notification we do.

5 Q And I'm sorry. What happens if you  
6 receive that envelope and it's not properly  
7 signed?

8 A We would return it to the voter for  
9 signature.

10 Q And you would return it by mail?

11 A Yes, sir.

12 Q And would you include with that a note or  
13 a letter stating the problem?

14 A Yes, we would send a letter.

15 Q And who sends that letter?

16 A The ballot-by-mail clerk.

17 Q So as the Brazos County early voting  
18 clerk, have you, in fact -- you or your  
19 office -- notified applicants when their mail-in  
20 ballot applications were defective?

21 A Yes.

22 Q And you would provide the new applications  
23 to these applicants?

24 A Yes.

25 Q How many times have you done this?



1 A Yes.

2 Q What is this website?

3 A It's a website that the county maintains  
4 to keep up-to-date election information.

5 Q And how old is this website?

6 A I couldn't answer that. I don't know. It  
7 was in effect when I came to Brazos County.

8 Q And who runs it?

9 A Brazos County IT.

10 Q Do you know who pays for it?

11 A No, sir.

12 Q Does your office pay for it?

13 A No, sir.

14 Q So on the brazosvotes.org home page, if  
15 voters need assistance, they're directed to call  
16 the following phone number: (979) 361-5770.

17 Are you familiar with that number?

18 A Correct. That's the main line for the  
19 office.

20 Q So if a voter calls that number, who picks  
21 up the phone?

22 A It depends on what they choose in the  
23 phone tree.

24 Q And what are their options?

25 A For voter registration, choose one -- you

1 know, a number, and then for elections -- or you  
2 can choose a person. It would depend on how the  
3 caller -- what they chose.

4 **Q And if they chose a person, who would they**  
5 **be connected with?**

6 A Whatever person they chose from the list.

7 **Q Do voters ever reach out to you personally**  
8 **with questions or concerns about mail-in ballots?**

9 A Yes.

10 **Q How often?**

11 A Just -- like I said, it will depend on how  
12 big the election is, for how many calls we  
13 receive.

14 **Q Could it be every day?**

15 A Not most of the time.

16 **Q In the lead-up to an election, might it be**  
17 **every day?**

18 A Yes.

19 **Q And multiple times a day?**

20 A Depending on the size, yes. If it's,  
21 like, going into the presidential, I would expect  
22 to receive multiples a day.

23 **Q And what are some examples of the**  
24 **questions or concerns that you get?**

25 A If they qualify to vote by mail, just

1 general questions about requirements. A lot of  
2 people are confused about checking the  
3 out-of-county box. With a large student  
4 population, we get a lot of questions about that.

5 **Q Anything else?**

6 A Time period, when to expect their ballot.  
7 Just general information.

8 **Q Anything else?**

9 A No.

10 **Q And are these questions and concerns and**  
11 **your responses documented in any way?**

12 A No.

13 **Q We previously discussed the mail-in ballot**  
14 **application and voting processes a bit. Does this**  
15 **process change from election to election?**

16 A No, not generally. Unless there's a  
17 legislative change, we won't make any changes in  
18 the process.

19 **Q And so I take it, then, the**  
20 **responsibilities of you and your office with**  
21 **respect to mail-in voting do not change from**  
22 **election to election?**

23 A No.

24 **Q This might overlap a bit with what we've**  
25 **talked about already, but I'd like to briefly walk**

1 through the process of mail-in voting with you  
2 step-by-step, and we'll use the upcoming 2020  
3 general election as an example.

4 Who in Brazos County is eligible to  
5 vote by mail in the 2020 general election?

6 A Over 65, disabled, who will be out of the  
7 county or confined to jail.

8 Q Anybody else?

9 A No.

10 Q If I'm a Brazos County voter who's  
11 eligible to vote by mail, how do I initiate that  
12 process?

13 A You can go to the website and print off  
14 the application, call the office and ask for an  
15 application, or go to texasvote.org and print off  
16 an application.

17 Q And your office specifically responds to  
18 those requests; correct?

19 A Most of them are automatic, like they can  
20 print it, download the form and -- you know, if  
21 it's an online interaction. Or if they call the  
22 office, then, yes, we take their name and address  
23 and mail them the application.

24 Q Once I receive a mail-in ballot  
25 application, does it contain a phone number or

1 coordinator, Krystal Ocon, also helps in that  
2 capacity if it's -- if the daily work is too much  
3 for Victoria to handle.

4 Q And that's only if there are more  
5 applications than Victoria Elliott can process?

6 A Correct.

7 Q And so if I properly filled out my carrier  
8 envelope and it's received by Ms. Elliott, what  
9 happens next?

10 A It is entered into the database, which is  
11 TEAM, which is the state database. Then labels  
12 are generated, placed on the carrier envelope and  
13 the outside envelope. A ballot is generated and  
14 put in that envelope and mailed to that voter.

15 Q I'm sorry. That envelope goes where?

16 A It's mailed to the voter.

17 Q And so when your office receives a carrier  
18 envelope containing a ballot, at the end of the  
19 mail-in ballot process, what happens next?

20 A It's file-stamped the day that we receive  
21 it, processed in TEAM to show that we've received  
22 that ballot, and then it's placed in a locked box.

23 Q I'm sorry. What was that last part?

24 A It's placed in a locked box.

25 Q And where is that locked box?

1 A In our mail room.

2 Q And what happens to that locked box?

3 A It's maintained by my office until the  
4 early voting ballot board meets. Then it's turned  
5 over to the early voting ballot board.

6 Q And when does that occur?

7 A For us, typically on a Saturday -- on the  
8 Saturday before election.

9 Q So the box is in your mail room until the  
10 Saturday before the election?

11 A Correct.

12 Q And then that Saturday is typically when  
13 the early voting ballot board meets?

14 A Correct.

15 MR. KALAR: And now would be a good  
16 time for a brief mid-morning break, if  
17 that works.

18 THE WITNESS: Fine with me.

19 MR. KALAR: So how about we pick  
20 back up at 11:05, Central time.

21 MR. MAGEE: That will be fine.

22 MR. KALAR: Great. Can we go off  
23 the record?

24 (Recess from 10:54 a.m. to 11:07 a.m.)  
25

1       **Q           And what are those qualifications?**

2       A           To be a registered voter, live in the  
3 jurisdiction.

4       **Q           Anything else?**

5       A           No.

6       **Q           Are members of the early voting ballot  
7 board required to undergo any training?**

8       A           I do not know.

9       **Q           Have you ever heard of any training of  
10 EVBB members occurring?**

11      A           The only thing I have knowledge of is that  
12 we always supply them a copy of the handbook  
13 before they meet.

14      **Q           And that's the Secretary of State's  
15 election handbook?**

16      A           Correct, the early voting ballot board  
17 handbook.

18      **Q           And who exactly provides that to the EVBB?**

19      A           Myself.

20      **Q           And who do you give it to?**

21      A           The judge.

22      **Q           And does this happen every election?**

23      A           Yes.

24      **Q           And you just use the most recent version  
25 of that handbook?**

1 A Yes, sir.

2 Q Does the judge then give the handbook to  
3 other members of the EVBB?

4 A I would not know.

5 Q Has the judge or anyone from the EVBB ever  
6 asked you any questions about their role?

7 A About the board's role?

8 Q Correct.

9 A No.

10 Q Have they ever asked you any questions in  
11 general about their duties?

12 A No.

13 Q Has the judge ever asked you any questions  
14 when you turn over the Secretary of State  
15 handbook?

16 A No, sir.

17 Q Are members of the EVBB paid?

18 A Yes.

19 Q And how much are they paid?

20 A Currently, they pay -- they're paid the  
21 same amount as an election worker. Currently,  
22 it's \$5 an hour.

23 Q And who pays them?

24 A If it's a general and it's a county  
25 election, the county does. If it's a party



1 unless signed by a witness."

2 Is that correct?

3 A Correct.

4 Q Do you believe that this regulation is the  
5 same as saying a ballot must be rejected if the  
6 signatures don't match?

7 A Yes.

8 Q And what do you base that on?

9 A The application that's received from my  
10 office and the carrier envelope should be filled  
11 out by the same person.

12 Q And if the signatures don't match, what  
13 does that mean to you?

14 A If they're not similar.

15 Q Under this provision of the Texas Election  
16 Code, what are the standards that the EVBB uses to  
17 determine if the signature on the ballot  
18 application and the signature on the carrier  
19 envelope were executed by different people?

20 A I don't know. I'm not a member of that  
21 board.

22 Q Is it your belief that the standard is if  
23 the signatures don't match, that determines that  
24 it's been signed by a different person?

25 A Correct.

1 election administrator, are they -- are they your  
2 superiors?

3 A Yes.

4 Q So back to Section 87.127, under this  
5 provision of the Texas Election Code, you have the  
6 power to "petition a district court for injunctive  
7 or other relief" if you "determine that a ballot  
8 was incorrectly rejected or accepted by the early  
9 voting ballot board before the time set for  
10 convening the canvassing authority;" correct?

11 A Correct.

12 Q Have you ever petitioned a district court  
13 for injunctive or other relief pursuant to this  
14 section of the Texas Election Code?

15 A No, sir.

16 Q You haven't done so while you've been the  
17 Brazos County election commissioner?

18 A No.

19 Q How about while you worked for Robertson  
20 County?

21 A No, and the statute wasn't in effect then.

22 Q When did the statute go into effect?

23 A According to your document, September 1st,  
24 2017.

25 Q So understanding that you've never

1 petitioned a district court for relief, since you  
2 became the Brazos County election administrator,  
3 have you ever determined that a ballot was  
4 incorrectly rejected or accepted by the early  
5 voting ballot board?

6 A No, I don't do that determination.

7 Q What do you mean by that?

8 A I feel that that's the board's  
9 responsibility, and I do not check their work.  
10 It's not my responsibility to do that.

11 Q And that was true at Robertson County as  
12 well?

13 A Correct.

14 Q As the Brazos County election  
15 administrator, if you were to determine that a  
16 ballot was incorrectly rejected or accepted by the  
17 early voting ballot board, how would you go about  
18 petitioning the district court for relief?

19 A I'd speak with the county attorney or seek  
20 advice from him.

21 Q And would the county attorney file this  
22 petition?

23 A If he see -- if he saw necessary, yes.

24 Q Do you know what relief you'd be able to  
25 get from a court?

1 A I do not.

2 Q Have you ever discussed what relief might  
3 be available with anyone?

4 A I have not.

5 Q Have you ever discussed the process of  
6 petitioning the district court, pursuant to  
7 Section 87.127, with anyone?

8 A No, sir.

9 Q If an action was brought in district  
10 court, who would pay for it?

11 A I do not know.

12 Q So Section 87.127 of the Texas Election  
13 Code contemplates that a county election official  
14 determines that a ballot was incorrectly rejected  
15 or accepted by the early voting ballot board;  
16 correct?

17 A Yes.

18 Q And as a county election officer, what are  
19 the tools or resources that you have to determine  
20 whether a ballot was incorrectly rejected or  
21 accepted by the early voting ballot board?

22 A I don't have any.

23 Q As the county election officer, what  
24 criteria could you use to determine whether a  
25 ballot was incorrectly rejected or accepted by the

1 early voting ballot board?

2 A I don't know.

3 Q Do you have any ability at all to  
4 determine whether a ballot has been incorrectly  
5 rejected or accepted by the early voting ballot  
6 board?

7 A No.

8 Q So is it fair to say that there is no  
9 possible way for you to petition a district court  
10 as contemplated by Section 87.127 of the Texas  
11 Election Code?

12 A No. As I said, I would seek advice from a  
13 county attorney.

14 Q Do you review ballots that have been  
15 rejected or accepted by the early voting ballot  
16 board?

17 A No, I do not.

18 Q Do you review their work in any way?

19 A No.

20 Q Do you ever investigate the early voting  
21 ballot board's decision to reject or accept a  
22 ballot?

23 A No, I do not.

24 Q Do you have any way at all to determine  
25 whether the early voting ballot board has made a

1 mistake?

2 A No. We do not look at those afterwards.

3 Q So is it fair to say that it would be  
4 impossible for you to determine whether a ballot  
5 was incorrectly rejected or accepted by the early  
6 voting ballot board?

7 A Rephrase that.

8 Q Sure.

9 Because you do not review the work of  
10 the early voting ballot board in any way, is it  
11 fair to say that it would be impossible for you to  
12 determine whether a ballot was incorrectly  
13 rejected or accepted by the early voting ballot  
14 board?

15 A That is correct.

16 Q So is it fair to say that there's no  
17 possible way for you to bring a district court  
18 action under Section 87.127?

19 A Yes.

20 Q We're going to turn to a new document now,  
21 and please let me know when this appears on your  
22 screen.

23 Do you see that letter?

24 A Yes.

25 Can you make it a little larger?

1 letter that we sent him.

2 Q But you didn't find the letter that he  
3 sent you?

4 A No.

5 Q Do you recall what it said?

6 A No.

7 Q So with respect to his 2016 ballot that is  
8 the subject of this letter, did you ever discuss  
9 Mr. Kilpatrick's ballot with anyone in your  
10 office?

11 A No.

12 Q Did you ever discuss Mr. Kilpatrick's  
13 ballot with anyone on the EVBB?

14 A No, not that I remember.

15 Q If you look a little more than halfway  
16 down the main paragraph in the middle of the  
17 letter, do you see the sentence that reads: "If  
18 it is determined the signature is reasonably  
19 similar, the ballot is accepted. If it is  
20 determined that the signature is not reasonably  
21 similar, the ballot is rejected"?

22 Do you see that?

23 A Correct. Yes, I do.

24 Q And what did you mean by this?

25 A Just that a reasonable person would see

1 that the writing was similar or not.

2 Q And is that the standard that the EVBB  
3 applies to signature analysis?

4 A I'm not on that board, so I couldn't  
5 answer that.

6 Q I guess, how did you come up with this  
7 standard when you put it in the letter to  
8 Mr. Kilpatrick?

9 A It's just a general standard that is just  
10 known in the election community.

11 Q I'm sorry. Was that "it's the general  
12 standard known in the election community"?

13 A Yes.

14 Q And what is that based on?

15 A Just years of experience and how the early  
16 voting ballot board normally works.

17 Q Has anyone ever taught you those  
18 standards?

19 A No.

20 Q Have you ever discussed those standards  
21 with anyone?

22 A Not off the -- not that I remember.

23 Q Have those signature comparison standards  
24 ever been the subject of any communication you've  
25 had with the Secretary of State of Texas?



1 A No.

2 Q Have those standards ever been the subject  
3 of any of the conferences put on by the Secretary  
4 of State that you have attended?

5 A No.

6 Q Have signature comparison standards ever  
7 been the subject of any training that you've had  
8 in your career as an elections officer?

9 A No.

10 Q So when you wrote that this was the  
11 standard to Mr. Kilpatrick, you meant this was the  
12 standard applied by the EVBB; correct?

13 A Yes.

14 Q How do you know that this was the standard  
15 they applied?

16 A Like I say, it's not something that's  
17 discussed or taught or -- it's just -- I guess  
18 just an inference -- something inferred by the  
19 election code that it's just a reasonable  
20 standard, what a reasonable person would think.

21 Q And do you know what standard the EVBB of  
22 Brazos County applied to Mr. Kilpatrick's ballot?

23 A I would assume a reasonable standard.

24 Q You're just assuming that?

25 A I'm sorry?

1 A Yes.

2 Q What do you mean by that?

3 A That they compare the signatures to the  
4 application -- from the application to the carrier  
5 envelope, and if a reasonable person would deem  
6 them the same signature, then it's accepted.

7 Q Do you believe that's the standard that  
8 the EVBB applied when it reviewed Dr. Richardson's  
9 ballot in the 2018 general election?

10 A Yes.

11 Q Why do you think that?

12 A General practices.

13 Q So you have no firsthand knowledge that  
14 that's what happened; correct?

15 A Correct.

16 Q And back to that language, you write: "It  
17 is up to that team to make the determination if  
18 the signatures are similar enough."

19 Do you see that?

20 A No. Wait a minute.

21 Q It's the second-to-last sentence in the  
22 middle paragraph of the letter.

23 A Yes. Okay.

24 Q What constitutes "similar enough" in terms  
25 of comparing signatures?

1 A A reasonable person's acceptance.

2 Q And you write: "This is the procedure  
3 that is set up in the Texas Election Code."

4 Do you see that?

5 A Yes.

6 Q Does the Texas Election Code contain this  
7 "reasonable person" standard?

8 A I'm not certain. I'm speaking more to the  
9 way the board is set up.

10 Q To your knowledge, what does the Texas  
11 Election Code say with respect to signature  
12 comparison standards?

13 A I'm not certain.

14 Q So again, you write to Dr. Richardson that  
15 that team of two volunteers determined to reject  
16 his ballot. Is that what you're saying?

17 A Yes.

18 Q Does the same team of two volunteers  
19 review every mail-in ballot in Brazos County?

20 A No.

21 Q How many teams might there be in a Brazos  
22 County election?

23 A It just depends. For a general election,  
24 we normally have about six to ten teams, dependent  
25 on the mail-out vote turnout.

1 Q Do you recall how many teams there were in  
2 the 2018 general election?

3 A No, I do not.

4 Q So it's up to each specific team of two  
5 volunteers to determine whether signatures on a  
6 ballot are similar enough to signatures on an  
7 application; correct?

8 A Correct.

9 Q Is it possible for different teams to  
10 reach a different conclusion with respect to the  
11 same ballot?

12 A Yes.

13 Q I'm going to turn off the screen share  
14 now.

15 MR. KALAR: And now, especially for  
16 those of us on the East Coast, would be a  
17 good time for a lunch break. I don't have  
18 very much left in terms of the fact  
19 deposition, but I think it would make  
20 sense to take a lunch break now and then  
21 come back and finish off the fact  
22 deposition and then turn to the 30(b)(6)  
23 deposition, if that works for everybody.

24 THE WITNESS: That's fine.

25 MR. KALAR: And how about we return

1 at 1:15 p.m. Central time. Is that enough  
2 time, or would you prefer less time?

3 THE WITNESS: I would prefer about  
4 an hour.

5 MR. KALAR: You'd prefer an hour?

6 THE WITNESS: Uh-huh.

7 MR. KALAR: An hour would be fine.  
8 Let's return at 2:35 p.m. Central time.

9 MR. MAGEE: 1:35.

10 THE WITNESS: 1:35.

11 MR. KALAR: Excuse me. 2:35  
12 Eastern time; 1:35 Central time.

13 THE WITNESS: Okay.

14 MR. KALAR: Okay. Can we go off  
15 the record, please?

16 (Recess from 12:35 p.m. to 1:37 p.m.)

17 BY MR. KALAR:

18 Q Hi, Ms. Hancock. Welcome back. Just a  
19 few more questions before we wrap up this first  
20 part of the deposition.

21 We talked a little bit about your  
22 office's budget earlier. How much does it cost  
23 for your office to call a voter?

24 A To call a voter? Nothing. I mean, I  
25 don't -- I don't know what the costs are.

1 Q How much does it cost your office to mail  
2 a letter or a rejection notice to a voter?

3 A Normal postage. Right now it's \$0.50, I  
4 think.

5 Q And are these costs budgeted at the  
6 beginning of the annual budget that we talked  
7 about earlier, or are these discretionary funds  
8 that you use?

9 A Budgeted.

10 Q We also talked a little bit about your  
11 office's correspondence with voters generally.

12 Do you or your office ever  
13 affirmatively reach out to voters for -- to  
14 inquire about their, for example, mail-in ballot  
15 applications?

16 A No.

17 Q Do you or your office ever reach out to  
18 voters to inquire about any other issues?

19 A No.

20 Q Does your office receive email inquiries  
21 from voters?

22 A Yes.

23 Q And who in your office reviews those  
24 inquiries?

25 A Whoever they're addressed to.

1 Q Do you personally receive them?

2 A Some of them, yes.

3 Q And do other employees of your office  
4 receive them as well?

5 A Yes.

6 Q Do you ever receive email inquiries from  
7 voters about the mail-in ballot process?

8 A Yes.

9 Q Do you ever receive email inquiries from  
10 voters after their mail-in ballot has been  
11 rejected?

12 A I don't remember receiving any, no.

13 Q And that's true for your entire time with  
14 Brazos County?

15 A Correct.

16 Q How about during your time at Robertson  
17 County?

18 A I don't remember any.

19 Q Does your office save these emails?

20 A Yes.

21 Q Have you produced any of these emails in  
22 this litigation?

23 A No.

24 Q In response to the discovery requests that  
25 you received from plaintiffs in this litigation,

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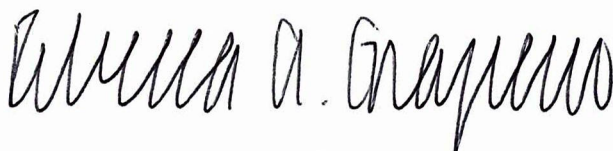
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PERLA LARA  
May 14, 2020  
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PERLA LARA, produced as a witness at the instance  
of the Plaintiffs, and duly sworn, was taken in  
the above-styled and numbered cause on  
May 14, 2020, from 1:41 p.m. to 3:15 p.m.,  
remotely before Rebecca A. Graziano, CSR, RPR,  
CRR, in and for the State of Texas, reported by  
machine shorthand, pursuant to the Federal Rules  
of Civil Procedure and the provisions stated on  
the record.

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PROCEEDINGS

(On the record at 1:41 p.m.)

THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We are going on the video record. Today is May 14th, 2020. The time is 1:41 p.m.

The civil action number is 5:19-cv-00963-OLG in the matter of Dr. George Richardson, et al., versus Texas Secretary of State. The deponent is City of McAllen, Texas, secretary, Perla Lara. The video deposition is requested by plaintiffs' counsel, Texas Civil Rights Project, Austin.

My name is Maygun Flanagan. I am the videographer. The court reporter today is Becky Graziano. We are both representing HG Litigation Services.

Will counsel please identify themselves for the record?

MR. COX: My name is Ryan Cox, C-o-x, with the Texas Civil Rights Project on behalf of the plaintiffs.

MR. MIRZA: My name is Hani Mirza with the Texas Civil Rights Project, also on behalf of the plaintiffs.

1 MR. KALAR: Also on behalf of  
2 plaintiffs, my name is Samuel Kalar of the  
3 law firm Willkie Farr & Gallagher.

4 MS. SURIANI: And also on behalf of  
5 plaintiffs, my name is Joanna Suriani of  
6 the law firm Willkie Farr & Gallagher.

7 MR. STEVENSON: Austin Stevenson on  
8 behalf of defendant Perla Lara in her  
9 official capacity, McAllen city secretary.

10 MR. TAWIL: And Isaac Tawil on  
11 behalf of Ms. Lara as well.

12 MR. MAGEE: This is Eric Magee on  
13 behalf of Trudy Hancock, the Brazos County  
14 elections administrator, in her official  
15 capacity.

16 MS. MACKIN: This is Anna Mackin  
17 with the Texas Attorney General's office  
18 on behalf of the Secretary of State in her  
19 official capacity.

20 (Witness duly sworn.)

21 PERLA LARA,  
22 being first duly sworn, testified as follows:

23 EXAMINATION

24 BY MR. COX:

25 Q Thank you, Ms. Lara. I appreciate being



1                   If you could scroll down on the same  
2 page, there's a bullet point under "Notes" that  
3 starts with "the board, like the committee."

4                   Do you see that?

5       A           Yes.

6       Q           It says: "The board, like the committee,  
7 may also compare signatures with any two or more  
8 signatures of the voter made within the preceding  
9 six years and on file with the voter registrar."

10                  What is -- what is your understanding  
11 of this role as it applies to McAllen's early  
12 voting ballot board?

13       A           That the board could request to look --  
14 compare signatures from previous elections if I  
15 had them and they hadn't met retention. They may  
16 or may not, but they -- they've never asked or  
17 inquired about it. But that's my understanding.

18       Q           Okay.

19       A           If I have them and they asked, we could do  
20 that.

21                  MR. TAWIL: Mr. Cox, this line of  
22 questioning is going to Ms. Lara's -- in  
23 her capacities as secretary's beliefs. If  
24 you have questions related to the  
25 deposition topics as to the City of

1 McAllen, I would ask that you please stick  
2 to your topics and the entity that you're  
3 deposing.

4 MR. COX: I'm asking -- yeah. I'm  
5 asking what the City of McAllen's  
6 understanding is about what this role  
7 means, and I'm sorry if I'm unclear about  
8 that.

9 BY MR. COX:

10 Q Ms. Lara, for -- for the rest of today, if  
11 I ask you anything about "your understanding" or  
12 "you," I'm talking about you in your capacity  
13 representing the City of McAllen. So I'm -- I  
14 want to know what McAllen's understanding of this  
15 role means.

16 Does that make sense?

17 A Noted.

18 Q Okay.

19 A Yes.

20 Q Okay. And so I -- tell me if I got this  
21 wrong, but I think you just said that the early  
22 voting ballot board has never asked for those  
23 additional signatures; is that right?

24 A Right.

25 Q And who would they ask or how would they

1 Q Okay. And then the Monday, two days after  
2 election day, would be when the rejection letters  
3 are usually mailed out by your office?

4 A Correct, yes. They start -- they start  
5 them up on that night and try to get ahead as much  
6 as they can, but they come back and finish on  
7 Monday.

8 Q Okay. And in sending written -- I'm  
9 sorry. In sending written notice to the voter of  
10 the reason for rejection, does your office have a  
11 policy of sending this notice by any other means  
12 besides a letter?

13 A No. That's it. We just download the  
14 form, and we just send out that notice. Just  
15 mail.

16 Q Okay. And does your office have the -- I  
17 guess the ability to notify voters by other means?

18 MR. TAWIL: Objection; form.

19 THE WITNESS: No. We only do it by  
20 mail.

21 BY MR. COX:

22 Q Right. I understand that you're -- that  
23 right now you only do it by mail.

24 What I'm asking is -- say  
25 hypothetically a court ordered you to also provide

1 that notice by email and phone number if you  
2 happen to have that information. Is that  
3 something your office would be able to do?

4 MR. TAWIL: Objection; form.

5 THE WITNESS: Yes. Yes.

6 BY MR. COX:

7 Q And I'm trying -- in trying to understand  
8 that a little bit, what would -- what kind of  
9 resources would you have to have to implement  
10 something like that, where you gave notice by  
11 other means as well?

12 MR. TAWIL: Objection; form.

13 THE WITNESS: Well, we've got them.

14 We -- if we were asked to, we could  
15 send -- send it electronically. We can  
16 fax as well. I mean, we don't do a lot of  
17 that anymore, but we can do it  
18 electronically or fax.

19 BY MR. COX:

20 Q Okay. And in the last election, do you  
21 know -- in the last general election, I'm  
22 sorry -- do you know how many ballots were  
23 rejected in that election?

24 A I don't recall, looking at this document.

25 Q If you -- were -- are you able to provide

1 even just, like, a rough estimate?

2 A It's like a handful.

3 Q Okay. And so in the hypothetical  
4 situation I was discussing where you had to send  
5 an email or give a phone call if you had that  
6 information for voters that had their ballots  
7 rejected, how long do you think that would take?

8 MR. TAWIL: Objection; form.

9 THE WITNESS: It wouldn't take  
10 long. Electronically, you can do it  
11 within that day. It wouldn't take long.

12 BY MR. COX:

13 Q Okay. And would there be any additional  
14 costs to your office for implementing something  
15 like that?

16 MR. TAWIL: Objection; form.

17 THE WITNESS: No. No.

18 BY MR. COX:

19 Q Okay. I think I'm done with this handbook  
20 for now, and if we need to, we'll come back to it.

21 But I kind of want to quickly change  
22 the topic a little bit and talk about your kind  
23 of -- the work you do with the Secretary of State,  
24 or the relationship between the City of McAllen  
25 and the Secretary of State.

1 BY MR. COX:

2 Q You are?

3 MR. TAWIL: Objection; form.

4 THE WITNESS: Yes.

5 BY MR. COX:

6 Q Okay. What does that provision of the  
7 election code talk about, then?

8 MR. TAWIL: Objection; form.

9 THE WITNESS: Right. Well, I've  
10 never had to do that.

11 BY MR. COX:

12 Q I'm sorry. You never had to do what?

13 A I could -- the petitioning.

14 Q So --

15 A You mean if it -- as it relates to the  
16 rejected ballots; right?

17 Q Uh-huh.

18 A If I had a question; right? I've never  
19 done that.

20 Q Okay. So in the first line of this, it  
21 says: "As a reminder, if a county election  
22 officer determines that a ballot was incorrectly  
23 rejected," and it goes on from there.

24 Are you a county election officer?

25 A No.

1 I meant, that I'm familiar with it.

2 I've -- I've seen it.

3 BY MR. COX:

4 Q I understand. Okay.

5 I'm just trying to get at whether --  
6 well, okay. You said you've never tried to use  
7 this kind of procedure before; is that right?

8 A Correct.

9 Q Have you -- not just this procedure, but  
10 have you ever gone into court on behalf -- either  
11 about a -- a ballot that was incorrectly rejected  
12 or accepted?

13 A No.

14 Q And -- after ballots are rejected by an  
15 early voting ballot board, and they come --

16 A Correct.

17 Q And the notice comes back -- a signed  
18 rejection notice, signed by the EVBB judge, is  
19 given back to you, do you -- does your office  
20 perform any additional review or look at those  
21 signatures that would allow you to determine if  
22 you have -- even have an opinion about whether  
23 something is incorrectly rejected or accepted?

24 A No.

25 Q Okay. And then in the hypothetical

1 elections administrator have any reason to have  
2 any of the information about your city election  
3 related to, like, the ballots that were rejected  
4 in your city elections or ballots that were  
5 accepted, the number of mail-in ballot voters?  
6 Anything like that? Would they have reason to  
7 have anything like that because you provided it to  
8 them?

9 A No, not unless they -- the only thing that  
10 we send back to them are the provisionals, and of  
11 course, I don't know their processes -- unless  
12 they make copies of what they send back to us.  
13 They shouldn't, but then -- I mean, I don't know.  
14 They -- I send the provisionals. They -- we go  
15 through a curing period. They send them back to  
16 us, and unless they made a copy, they shouldn't  
17 have anything.

18 Q Okay. And so I'd like to ask you now, you  
19 know, if a voter contacts your office and says  
20 that they believe that their ballot was rejected  
21 in error, do you have policies and procedures for  
22 handling that type of complaint? Or how would it  
23 be handled, if not?

24 A Right. I mean, if they do, they'll  
25 contact our office. Some have -- will come by the



1 office and we'll talk to them. They'll express  
2 their concerns. We'll go over the notice, and  
3 I -- as a matter of fact, I had one that actually  
4 came by, and so I showed her -- we reviewed the  
5 notice, and she requested to look at the way she  
6 had signed. And she saw that, and she's like,  
7 "Ma'am, definitely I signed differently. I'll be  
8 more careful next time."

9 But I do talk to them. We review the  
10 letters, and most of the time, they're happy  
11 with -- they're okay with the outcome. It doesn't  
12 happen much. I think maybe twice that I've had  
13 two individuals come in.

14 **Q Okay. And does McAllen -- the City of**  
15 **McAllen provide any recourse for those individuals**  
16 **to prove that it was them that signed it or**  
17 **anything like that that would allow their ballot**  
18 **to actually be counted?**

19 MR. TAWIL: Objection; form.

20 THE WITNESS: No. Like I said,  
21 those -- and it was two. They were okay.  
22 So they didn't have to do anything.

23 BY MR. COX:

24 **Q Okay. And did you ever get a complaint**  
25 **from Rosalie Weisfeld about that issue?**

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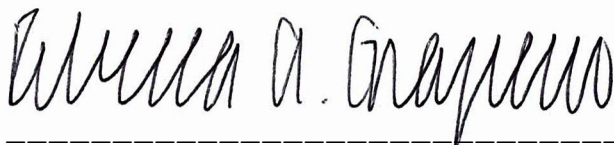
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## PROCEEDINGS

(On the record at 9:34 a.m.)

THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We are going on the video record. Today is May 14th, 2020. The time is 9:34 a.m.

The civil action number is 5:19-cv-00963-OLG in the matter of Dr. George Richardson, et al., versus Texas Secretary of State. The deponent is Perla Lara. The video deposition is requested by plaintiffs' counsel, Texas Civil Rights Project, Austin.

My name is Maygun Flanagan. I'm the videographer. The court reporter today is Becky Graziano. We are both representing HG Litigation Services.

Will counsel please identify themselves for the record?

MR. COX: My name is Ryan Cox, C-o-x, with the Texas Civil Rights Project on behalf of the plaintiffs.

MR. STEVENSON: Austin --

MR. TAWIL: Isaac --

MR. STEVENSON: -- Stevenson, S-t-e-v-e-n-s-o-n, for Perla Lara in her

1 official capacity as the McAllen city  
2 secretary.

3 MR. TAWIL: Isaac Tawil for  
4 Ms. Lara as well.

5 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Okay. The  
6 deponent may now be sworn in.

7 MR. COX: We do have some  
8 other -- I'm sorry. We do have some other  
9 folks here from TCRP, but they may be  
10 coming in and out.

11 But if any of you-all did want to  
12 make an appearance, now would be the time  
13 to do that.

14 MR. MIRZA: Yeah. This is  
15 Hani -- Hani Mirza with the Texas Civil  
16 Rights Project on behalf of plaintiffs.

17 MR. KALAR: Also on behalf of  
18 plaintiffs, this is Samuel Kalar with the  
19 law firm Willkie Farr & Gallagher.

20 MS. SURIANI: And also on behalf of  
21 plaintiffs, this is Joanna Suriani with  
22 the law firm Willkie Farr & Gallagher.

23 MR. MAGEE: This is Eric Magee.  
24 I'm with defendant Trudy Hancock in her  
25 official capacity as the Brazos County

elections administrator.

MS. MACKIN: And this is Anna Mackin. I represent the defendant Texas Secretary of State, sued in her official capacity.

(Witness duly sworn.)

PERLA LARA,  
being first duly sworn, testified as follows:

EXAMINATION

BY MR. COX:

Q Excellent. Thank you, Ms. Lara.

Good morning. My name is Ryan Cox. I'm an attorney, like I said, with the Texas Civil Rights Project on behalf of the plaintiffs, and so I'm going to be conducting your deposition today.

To start things off, can you please just state and spell your name for the record?

A Perla Lara, P-e-r-l-a, Lara, L-a-r-a.

Q Okay. Have you ever been deposed before?

A No.

Q Okay. So, you know, here at the beginning, I like to go over kind of a few general rules, you know, for this deposition, make sure we're clear on a few things.

The first thing is that, you know, in

1 A Since March of 1999.

2 Q Excellent. Great. Okay.

3 So now I kind of want to talk more  
4 about this specific case. I'd like to start by  
5 asking you, what is your understanding of what  
6 this case is about, generally?

7 MR. TAWIL: Objection; form.

8 BY MR. COX:

9 Q You can answer, Ms. Lara, unless your  
10 counsel asks you not to.

11 A Okay. It's got to do with the -- that  
12 I -- what I -- what I know is that it's got to do  
13 with the mail ballots. They might have one or two  
14 mail ballots that were rejected.

15 Q Okay. Yeah, I don't -- I'm not asking you  
16 to be, like, a legal expert on any of this. I  
17 just wanted to, you know, ask you what you --

18 A Yeah.

19 Q -- knew about what was going on.

20 And so as the McAllen city secretary,  
21 are you responsible for the administration of all  
22 city elections for the City of McAllen?

23 A Yes.

24 Q Okay. And is -- in that role, is it your  
25 responsibility to develop and/or implement

1 policies to ensure that the McAllen city elections  
2 run properly?

3 MR. TAWIL: Objection; form.

4 MR. STEVENSON: You may answer.

5 THE WITNESS: Yes, develop and  
6 follow the -- the guidelines and processes  
7 that the Texas Secretary of State provides  
8 us with. Yes.

9 BY MR. COX:

10 Q Okay. And so kind of in a similar vein,  
11 is it also your responsibility to ensure that the  
12 City of McAllen elections take place in accordance  
13 with -- with the law, the Texas and federal law?  
14 Is that your responsibility?

15 A Yes.

16 Q And what do your responsibilities --  
17 stemming from that, your responsibilities to  
18 implement and -- to oversee the administration of  
19 McAllen city elections, what do those  
20 responsibilities include for your office -- for  
21 you?

22 A The training. We provide the information  
23 to the -- to the alternate -- to the judges and  
24 alternate judges and clerks. We provide  
25 trainings, give them the -- you know, we go over

1 all the SOS guidelines, processes. We give them  
2 the advisories that the SOS issues out on the  
3 particular year. We provide them the resources,  
4 the EVBB handbooks.

5 We give them trainings on the -- on  
6 our election machines, our election equipment,  
7 with ES&S. We go over the equipment as well. We  
8 train them on the DS200s, which -- it's basically  
9 all the ExpressVotes, the tablets, and just give  
10 them the resources, the handbooks, the Texas  
11 Election Code book as well.

12 And then we refer them to the  
13 Secretary of State's website so that they can go  
14 in there and take additional trainings that they  
15 have there. They've got additional advisories  
16 that they can review and basically give them as  
17 much -- provide them with as much information as  
18 possible so that they can, you know, go through  
19 the process of qualifying and accepting the  
20 information.

21 **Q Excellent.**

22 And so I think I'll get into this a  
23 little bit later, but just while it's at the top  
24 of mind, do you develop any of your own trainings,  
25 or are these all trainings and materials that you

1 it's the same.

2 Q Got it.

3 And so you would not be providing any  
4 training materials or kind of rules and procedures  
5 to any employees in your office or to anyone who  
6 is employed for an election except for what  
7 is -- you have from the Secretary of State's  
8 office and from these seminars and from the Texas  
9 Election Code; is that right?

10 A Correct.

11 Q Okay. And, you know, in administering the  
12 elections in McAllen, do you ever look to or ask  
13 other jurisdictions about best practices or  
14 anything along those lines, whether that's someone  
15 like Hidalgo County or people you network with at  
16 these seminars? Do you discuss kind of best  
17 practices about how to run a local election with  
18 anyone else?

19 A We network. We've got our city clerks'  
20 associations where, you know, our -- our city  
21 clerks will email each other if we've got any  
22 questions as to, you know, notices and forms, or  
23 if we have a doubt on something, we have a city  
24 clerks' Yahoo group that we ask questions, mentor  
25 each other.

1 mail-in ballot procedures or signature  
2 verification procedures?

3 A No.

4 Q Okay. Okay. I'd like to, I guess, go  
5 through a little bit of a list about your  
6 responsibilities related to mail-in ballots. And  
7 then once I get through that, I think we can take  
8 a break right after that, if that sounds good to  
9 you.

10 A Yes.

11 Q Okay. So we covered that you're the early  
12 voting clerk for the City of McAllen; correct?

13 A Yes.

14 Q And as the early voting clerk, is it part  
15 of your responsibilities to receive all mail-in  
16 ballots submitted by voters for an election that  
17 you're overseeing?

18 A Yes.

19 Q And is it -- are you responsible for  
20 mailing voters a mail-in ballot application if  
21 they request one?

22 A Yes.

23 Q And are you -- are you responsible for  
24 delivering the actual mail-in ballot to the voter  
25 after they've applied and been qualified?



1       A       I -- yes, I have a staff that works on  
2 those, and they send them out under my direction.

3       Q       Okay. Got it.

4               And are you responsible for notifying  
5 voters if their application is rejected and the  
6 reasons why?

7       A       The application, yes.

8       Q       Okay. And are you required -- are you  
9 responsible for providing ballot envelopes and  
10 carrier envelopes, along with the ballot as well,  
11 to the voter?

12      A       Correct. The only thing that we keep is  
13 the jacket envelope where we put all the  
14 materials.

15      Q       Okay. And after a ballot has been mailed  
16 to the voter and they mail it back in to you, are  
17 you responsible for determining whether that  
18 carrier envelope was received timely -- or mailed  
19 timely by the voter?

20      A       Yes.

21      Q       Okay. And is it your responsibility to  
22 decide whether to allow a voter to cure defects in  
23 their mail-in ballot carrier envelope if it's  
24 prior to the mail-in ballot deadline?

25      A       They have until the day of the election to

1 cancel or spoil the ballot if they wish to do  
2 that.

3 Q Okay. And if a -- if a carrier envelope  
4 comes back to you and it's -- and it's deficient  
5 in some way, would it be your office that would  
6 contact the voter to correct that deficiency?

7 A No.

8 Q Okay. And who would it -- would there be  
9 anyone that would contact the voter to correct  
10 that deficiency?

11 A We receive the carrier envelopes, and all  
12 we do is -- of course, we log in the information,  
13 we enter it and put it -- like I told you before,  
14 we are a single-member district, so we separate  
15 them, depending -- if it's a mayoral election  
16 year, I'm going to have Districts 1 through 6. If  
17 it's just a particular district that's running,  
18 you separate them. And basically, all we do is  
19 keep that information, log the information, and  
20 have it ready for the ballot board that's going to  
21 qualify and go through the process.

22 I have had instances where individuals  
23 will call and they'll want to cancel, or they come  
24 back -- you know, the reason might be that  
25 they're -- they were expected to be out of the

1 county, they came back, and they want to go to the  
2 polling place and vote, you know, before the end  
3 of the early voting or on election day, and  
4 we've -- we've canceled.

5 Q Okay. And if there's any other deficiency  
6 in the carrier envelope -- for example, not all  
7 the information that's required was filled out or  
8 something like that -- would you contact -- would  
9 your office contact the voter and let them know  
10 that if -- you know, say it's before election  
11 day -- so that they could go vote in person or  
12 cancel their ballot, or would you just send them a  
13 rejection notice?

14 A No. Before -- before election day, we  
15 have contacted them, especially if we get them  
16 before the election -- or, you know, when they  
17 still have an opportunity to vote on election day,  
18 we will contact them.

19 Q Okay. And is that a policy of your office  
20 universally, or is that done on a case-by-case  
21 basis?

22 A Case-by-case.

23 Q Okay. And why is that?

24 A Because that -- like I said, they'll call  
25 and, you know, they'll either tell us that they

1 don't -- you know, they didn't mean to vote by  
2 mail or they'll call and they'll say, you know,  
3 "We received that information." A lot of times  
4 they think it's the city clerk -- or city  
5 secretary that has sent them to them because it's  
6 the -- the campaigns will send them out. And then  
7 they find out that it wasn't the city secretary,  
8 so then they say, you know, "We don't want to  
9 vote. Can we still vote?" And, of course, we let  
10 them know that they can vote on election day.

11 But it's mainly them calling in  
12 saying, "We didn't request it and, you know, they  
13 were helping. They -- they helped us fill them  
14 out, but -- you know, we just did it because they  
15 were asking, but we don't feel comfortable. We  
16 want to vote on election day." And so we'll just  
17 document --

18 **Q Got it.**

19 **A** -- that they decided they want to vote on  
20 election day.

21 **Q Yeah, that makes sense.**

22 **Now, in the case where no one calls**  
23 **you but they just mail back in their ballot and**  
24 **there's some deficiency in it and it's before**  
25 **election day, would you always try to contact that**

1 voter to let them know, or would you sometimes  
2 contact that voter to let them know and sometimes  
3 not?

4 MR. TAWIL: Objection; form. Are  
5 you talking about the ballot or the  
6 application?

7 MR. COX: I'm talking about the  
8 carrier envelope for the ballot.

9 MR. TAWIL: Yeah, because you asked  
10 her about the ballot, so I'll object.

11 MR. COX: Yeah.

12 MR. TAWIL: But if you want to  
13 clarify your question.

14 MR. COX: Yeah.

15 THE WITNESS: Yeah.

16 BY MR. COX:

17 Q I mean, I'll ask you the question for  
18 both.

19 If you receive an application that has  
20 deficiencies, an application for a ballot by mail,  
21 and it has deficiencies and there's still time to  
22 fix those deficiencies, would you always contact  
23 the voter about that?

24 A Yes. On the application, yes.

25 Q Okay. And now when you receive a -- after

1 someone's submitted an application and been  
2 qualified and received their ballot in the mail,  
3 and now they return their ballot to you and you  
4 find some deficiency in that document, the carrier  
5 envelope, would you then contact the voter if  
6 there's -- if it's received before election day,  
7 for example --

8 MR. TAWIL: Objection; form.

9 BY MR. COX:

10 Q -- as a rule or not?

11 MR. TAWIL: Objection; form.

12 THE WITNESS: Yeah, no, we  
13 just -- as far as the ballots, when we  
14 receive the ballots, we just file them.  
15 We enter it as received -- as received and  
16 log it in in the spreadsheets, and that's  
17 what we hold for the board. Once we  
18 received it, unless they call us and let  
19 us know that they've changed their mind,  
20 that they don't want to vote by mail, I  
21 mean, that's the final product. You know,  
22 they've sent it to us.

23 But on the applications, definitely  
24 we do -- we do review that. I mean, the  
25 number one area that we get, they'll check

1 and say, you know, 65. Then we'll look at  
2 the age and if they don't meet that  
3 qualification, but they do meet the  
4 disability or the sickness, or maybe they  
5 meant to -- out of the county. So that,  
6 we do check, because that's something that  
7 we can open and verify.

8 But as far as the ballots, once we  
9 get it, it's been received, we log it in  
10 to the particular district, and we color  
11 code it by district, and then we put that  
12 information away until we meet with the  
13 ballot board to turn that information over  
14 to them.

15 BY MR. COX:

16 Q Got it.

17 And does any of these -- the  
18 procedures you just described change from election  
19 to election since you've been city secretary?

20 A No.

21 Q Okay. And do you have different  
22 responsibilities in any kind of election context  
23 based on what kind of election you're running,  
24 whether that's a bond election or, you know, a  
25 bigger election than that? Do your

1    **what?**

2       A       Correct.

3               MR. TAWIL:  Objection; form.

4               THE WITNESS:  Yes, there's no  
5       reason -- there's no reason for me to  
6       press "reject."

7    BY MR. COX:

8       Q       Okay.  So then do you -- when the ballot  
9       comes in, do you review it for correct postmark or  
10      if it was postmarked in time?

11      A       Right.  That's it.  As long as we got it  
12      on time -- on a timely basis, we enter it and then  
13      just throw them away until it's time for the  
14      qualifying and processing.

15      Q       And if you get one that's not received on  
16      time, would you -- would your office do the  
17      rejection of that ballot for being untimely, or  
18      would you still send it to the ballot board to  
19      make that determination?

20      A       Yes, no, we have to reconvene again and  
21      bring back my -- my board so that they can reject  
22      that it didn't come in on time.

23      Q       Okay.  And then so once you have all of  
24      the ballots, it's election day now, and you're  
25      taking the sealed ballots to the ballot board,



1    **what happens to them then?**

2       A       Right. We -- the ballot board comes in,  
3    they take their oath, and then they take over. We  
4    hand the information to them, the ballots by mail,  
5    and we also hand the information for the early  
6    voting by personal appearance. So they usually do  
7    that first, and then they start working on the  
8    mail ballots.

9       **Q       Okay.**

10      A       And then, of course, the provisionals, but  
11    we have to -- that's the day, you know -- until we  
12    get the provisional ballots, if we have any, we  
13    reconvene again to also qualify and process and do  
14    the provisional ballots.

15      **Q       Got it.**

16               MR. COX: I think we can take a  
17    break. We'll come back and talk more  
18    about the early voting ballot board, but  
19    let's take a break for 15 minutes. Does  
20    that sound good?

21               THE WITNESS: Yes.

22               MR. COX: Okay.

23               MR. TAWIL: That's fine.

24               THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Okay. We're  
25    going off --

1 those trainings as well and they're provided with  
2 materials.

3 Q Okay. And what -- what does the content  
4 of the training related to mail-in ballots  
5 include?

6 A It's basically reviewing that handbook.  
7 It's the -- it's not a big handbook. It's not as  
8 big as the TEC book that we order. They used to  
9 send the handbooks to us. Now we download it, and  
10 I don't think it's more than 30 pages, unless it's  
11 been revised.

12 And basically, all we do is just --  
13 you know, we -- we go over the book and just point  
14 out the sections. You know, this is what the  
15 authority of the EVBB -- you know, this is what it  
16 is, you know, at the -- at the front of the page.  
17 We just -- I think the first or second page, it's  
18 got a table of contents. It's got a couple of  
19 examples that we tell them, you know, "Go back to  
20 the examples. You know, if you have any  
21 questions, this is what you're looking for."

22 And it's basically just review --  
23 review the entire book. I've got staff there with  
24 me, and we just go over the different sections.  
25 Like I said, it's not a very -- a very big book.

1 As a matter of fact, it includes both the EVBB and  
2 the SVC. I think the SVC is just, like, maybe  
3 half a page. It's not a lot.

4 Q And this is the early voting ballot board  
5 handbook provided by the Secretary of State's  
6 office; is that correct?

7 A Right. It's -- I think it's entitled  
8 for -- "Handbook for Judges and Clerk, EVBB."

9 Q Okay. And in the training that you  
10 provide that involves this handbook, is there any  
11 training that is specific to recognizing  
12 mismatching signatures or evaluating whether, you  
13 know, two marks made were made by the same person  
14 or any kind of training like that?

15 A No. Well, the actual -- the book does  
16 have a section on that. I always remind them that  
17 we are not handwriting experts. I remind them  
18 that they are not the SVC committee, because it's  
19 not. It's two separate authorities.

20 And I do -- I mean, that's one section  
21 that I do point out to them: "We -- all that we  
22 do is just compare the signature from the  
23 application," just -- it's a reminder, "Don't  
24 forget, we're comparing the signature of the  
25 application to the corresponding carrier envelope

1 just to determine that the signatures were that of  
2 the voter."

3 And I do remind them, I mean, that's  
4 all that we're doing, and just making sure that  
5 the information is in there. You know, because we  
6 do point out -- I think there's a section also  
7 that -- or it's, like, two or three pages where it  
8 tells you the reasons why you would reject or not  
9 accept the vote, and that's if they check off one  
10 or two when you can only select one candidate.

11 So we -- we review that and, I mean,  
12 they're -- those judges have a lot of experience.  
13 Like I said, they've been with the county as well  
14 for years. But we still review it, and we let  
15 them know the reasons that they can't. You know,  
16 if they -- if they check off two people or if -- a  
17 lot of times they send it back and they send them  
18 blank. They don't select a person. Well, then,  
19 you know, that's another instance.

20 But it's basically just to review all  
21 the examples that are in the handbook.

22 **Q And in any of these trainings, have you**  
23 **ever got questions about what to do if they were**  
24 **unsure of whether a signature was a match or**  
25 **signed by the same person?**

1       A           No.

2                   MR. TAWIL:  Objection; form.

3                   THE WITNESS:  No.

4  BY MR. COX:

5       **Q           And so can you estimate how much time in**  
6 **this training for early voting ballot board**  
7 **members is spent talking about or training them on**  
8 **signature mismatches?**

9       A           Again, we don't.  We just review the  
10 handbook, and like I said, that's the only section  
11 that I refer to the -- that I refer back to.  It's  
12 just the part that says all we do is just  
13 ascertain that it was the -- the same voter that  
14 signed a document.  Just, you know -- all we have  
15 to look at is the application and the  
16 corresponding carrier envelope.  If it resembled  
17 and you ascertained, you know -- and all we do is  
18 ascertain that it's the same individual and the  
19 same voter.

20       **Q           And do you train them to accept two**  
21 **signatures if they resemble each other?**

22       A           We -- we go over the book, and I just  
23 remind them if they have a question, I just remind  
24 them that, you know, you take a vote.  If it's a  
25 unanimous vote, you know, that's the decision that

1 we're going to go by. If somebody feels that --  
2 you know, if it's not unanimous and somebody feels  
3 that it was, you know -- it resembled -- or that  
4 it reasonably resembled the signature, you can  
5 take another vote.

6 I always remind them, you know, you  
7 could always override it, and once you override,  
8 that would be the final decision. But I do -- I  
9 do make them aware that if somebody feels  
10 uncomfortable, you could always go back and  
11 override and do that.

12 **Q Can you explain that for me? I don't -- I**  
13 **don't think I understand how one person could**  
14 **override if they feel uncomfortable.**

15 A No, well --

16 **Q Can you explain that?**

17 A All right. You take another vote.

18 **Q I see.**

19 A And sometimes, you know, it will change.  
20 They might come back and say, well -- you know, if  
21 that person can convince them that it was  
22 the -- you know, that it's reasonably the same --  
23 they take another vote, and if it's unanimous,  
24 then the previous one doesn't count and we go with  
25 the -- with the override; and if the override says

1 we count, they count it.

2 Q Got it.

3 A And for the most part, it's usually -- for  
4 the most part, it's unanimous.

5 Q And a minute ago you said that you remind  
6 people getting these trainings that they're not  
7 signature experts and that they're not members of  
8 the SVC, the signature verification committee.

9 Can you explain to me the distinction that you're  
10 making there between the EVBB and the SVC?

11 A I do that because that's one of the  
12 questions that I get from them at the training:  
13 "So are we supposed to do that?" Because  
14 they -- that book -- and I see why it would be  
15 misleading or confusing, because it's -- it talks  
16 about both committees on the same book. So when  
17 they're reading that, they're thinking, "Oh, you  
18 know, it says 'SVC.' Are we supposed to do that?"  
19 So I just remind them that that's the way -- you  
20 know, that book, you know, it includes both the  
21 SVC committee and the EVBB board as well.

22 So, you know, I always tell them I  
23 don't have an SVC. As a matter of fact, I've  
24 only -- I've only had it once. So I -- you know,  
25 I tell them you're just the early voting ballot

1 A Yes.

2 Q And it says: "Admit that the City of  
3 McAllen received a signed and timely mailed 2019  
4 city runoff election ballot from Ms. Weisfeld in  
5 compliance with the Texas Election Code," and you  
6 indicated "Deny."

7 Did I read that correctly?

8 A Yes.

9 Q Okay. And so I -- I think this  
10 is -- there's certainly something in here that is  
11 my poor drafting skills on this, so I wanted to  
12 run through kind of the sub-elements of this and  
13 see what caused you to deny this request.

14 Are you aware of -- of the City of  
15 McAllen receiving a ballot by mail from  
16 Ms. Weisfeld in the 2019 city runoff election?

17 A Yes.

18 Q And when that was received by your office,  
19 was it received timely?

20 A Yes.

21 Q And when you received that in your office,  
22 was there a signature on -- on it?

23 A Yes.

24 Q Okay. So then that leads me to believe  
25 that you denied this request because of the last



1 part that says: "In compliance with the Texas  
2 Election Code."

3 Is that right?

4 A Correct. Correct.

5 Q Okay. And can you explain to me why you  
6 denied this request based on that part of the  
7 sentence?

8 A Because I -- as the city clerk, I just  
9 receive them.

10 MR. TAWIL: Objection; form.

11 THE WITNESS: I just -- I just  
12 receive them. The ballot board was the  
13 one that was going to process and qualify.

14 BY MR. COX:

15 Q So is it because the ballot board rejected  
16 it that your -- that you believe it was not in  
17 compliance with the Texas Election Code? I guess  
18 is that -- is that what you're saying?

19 MR. TAWIL: Perla, I'm going to ask  
20 you not to answer this question at this  
21 point. The determination to deny the  
22 request for admission was made by counsel,  
23 and that goes to privilege.

24 BY MR. COX:

25 Q Okay. I'm just -- we'll just move on from

1 so she's getting closer so she can clearly  
2 see what it is.

3 MR. COX: Understood.

4 THE WITNESS: Yes, it's basically  
5 the rosters for the early ballot by mail;  
6 and then the rejected ones, another roster  
7 for rejected; and then the notices -- the  
8 signed notices that went out.

9 BY MR. COX:

10 Q Okay. Great.

11 And so I'd like to just bring your  
12 attention to a couple of these pages, and these  
13 aren't Bates-stamped, so it might be a little  
14 tough, but I'm going to do my best. This  
15 is -- the first page I'd like you to go down to is  
16 Page 34. Hopefully that lines up.

17 And that is -- let me know when you  
18 get there.

19 A Okay.

20 Q Okay. And that's a green -- a copy of a  
21 green envelope sent to the City of McAllen; is  
22 that right?

23 A Yes.

24 Q Or I'm sorry. Returned to the City of  
25 McAllen. Got it.

1                   And so there's a -- like a pink  
2 Post-it note on this, and I just wanted to ask you  
3 about that. It says: "Called the following  
4 numbers." It lists several phone numbers. Then  
5 below that, there's a yellow sticker that looks  
6 like it was return to sender from the voter back  
7 to you.

8                   And so my question is --

9       A       Correct.

10      Q       Can you hear me?

11      A       Yes.

12      Q       Okay. My question is: Why would this  
13 individual voter have been called, and on all of  
14 these numbers, if you received a return to sender  
15 on this?

16      A       It probably came back before election day.  
17 I mean, I don't -- I can't answer for my -- my  
18 records manager at that time other than they were  
19 trying to, in a good faith effort, reach that  
20 person to let them know that, you know, it got  
21 returned back, and we're trying to get  
22 another -- perhaps another forwarding address or,  
23 you know, let them know that it came back.

24      Q       Okay. And that -- that would be her  
25 handwriting on this pink Post-it note, I suppose,

1 if you recognize it?

2 A Yes, that -- right. That's not my  
3 handwriting. Yeah.

4 Q Okay. Great. All right. Then -- that's  
5 all I had on that.

6 If you could then scroll down to  
7 Page 104. See if I can find 104.

8 Okay. Let me know when you get there.

9 A Okay.

10 Q Okay. To me, this looks like text  
11 messages, Page 104 and 105, sent to a voter; is  
12 that correct?

13 A Correct. That's what it looks like.

14 Q Okay. And is this -- is this your phone  
15 number on the top of this, or would that be the  
16 recipient? Or do you know? Do you recognize this  
17 at all?

18 A Yeah, no, I don't -- I'm not good with  
19 phone numbers. I've got my contacts and just dial  
20 out, so I'm not sure if -- it's somebody from  
21 staff that must have texted.

22 Q Okay. And --

23 A I'd have to --

24 Q -- it looks like this person's application  
25 for ballot by mail was being rejected, and so they

1 were texting the voter to let them know about  
2 that; is that a fair analysis of this?

3 A Correct.

4 Q Okay. And is this something that you-all  
5 would do for voters regularly, send them a text  
6 message if they're being -- going to have a ballot  
7 rejected like that -- I mean an application  
8 rejected like that?

9 A No. No. It must have been an exception.  
10 They must have been calling from -- you know,  
11 wanting to vote from out of the county or  
12 something like that. But no, it's not a practice.

13 Q Okay. And --

14 A I'm sure there was --

15 Q And so this is not something that would  
16 have been done uniformly or, like, I guess been  
17 offered to all the voters who you had a phone  
18 number for in the same situation?

19 A Correct.

20 Q Okay. And earlier we looked at  
21 a -- either an application or a ballot -- I'm not  
22 sure -- that had phone numbers that were called.  
23 Is there any reason your office would call someone  
24 but not send them a text message?

25 A No. Like I said, it was probably because

1 it -- Annette -- like I said, I mean, she's not --  
2 no longer here. I can't ask her. But I'm just  
3 thinking that it -- because it got back and there  
4 was still time for them to -- to either vote or  
5 time to send another ballot, it was just in a  
6 good-faith-based effort.

7 Q Okay.

8 A You know, we really try.

9 Q Yeah. All right. And then if you could  
10 just scroll up two pages to Page 102.

11 A Okay.

12 Q It looks -- this looks to me like the  
13 application for ballot by mail that was filed by  
14 the voter who was texted a second ago; do you  
15 agree with that?

16 A Hold on. I lost the page.

17 Q Sorry.

18 A Yes.

19 Q Okay. And then it looks like there's a  
20 Post-it note on here that says: "Per Perla, since  
21 applicant was already notified via text, no notice  
22 of rejected application is -- no application is  
23 required," or does -- did I read that correctly,  
24 or does that make sense?

25 A Yes, correct.

1 Q Okay. And so in this particular  
2 case -- and this is -- I recognize this is not  
3 done uniformly, but you sent the actual rejection  
4 notice of the application to the individual by  
5 text message, or your office did. Does that seem  
6 right?

7 A Correct.

8 Q Okay. And then if -- on this same  
9 document, if you could look -- I know it's  
10 sideways, at least on my screen, so I know it's  
11 kind of hard.

12 A Uh-huh.

13 Q But in Box Number 8 -- oh, I'm -- I'm  
14 sorry.

15 A 8. Okay. I'll tell you what --

16 Q Hold on. Hold on. I'm sorry. Not 8.  
17 Okay. That's all I have on that  
18 particular document.

19 All right. I'm going to send you a  
20 link to a new -- another exhibit.

21 A Okay.

22 Q And this is going to be Exhibit 4.

23 (Exhibit 4 marked.)

24 BY MR. COX:

25 Q And let me know when you're able to open

1 are actually dying, so I'm going to switch  
2 that out real quick. Just hold on one  
3 second.

4 THE WITNESS: Okay.

5 BY MR. COX:

6 Q Okay. I put another link in the chat box.  
7 This going to be Exhibit 5.

8 (Exhibit 5 marked.)

9 BY MR. COX:

10 Q Let me know when you're able to open it.

11 A Okay.

12 Q Okay. And this is a -- this is also,  
13 again, not Bates-stamped, but it's marked as  
14 Exhibit M in the documents that your counsel sent  
15 to us, and it's also a very long document -- 158  
16 pages -- so I don't want you to, you know, spend a  
17 lot of time reviewing this, but if you could just  
18 go down to Page 95.

19 A Okay.

20 Q Okay. And do you recognize this to be an  
21 application for ballot by mail sent in to your  
22 office?

23 A Yes.

24 Q Okay. And do you recognize it to be an  
25 application, at least purportedly, sent by Rosalie



1 Weisfeld?

2 A Yes.

3 Q Okay. And now, in Box Number 4, it asks  
4 for contact information, and says that that is  
5 optional.

6 Here, Ms. Weisfeld did provide contact  
7 information; is that correct?

8 A Yes.

9 Q And what is the -- your understanding of  
10 the purpose for having a voter include their  
11 name -- their phone number and email address on  
12 this application?

13 MR. TAWIL: Objection; form.

14 THE WITNESS: It's -- I mean, it's  
15 optional that you can provide or not  
16 provide.

17 BY MR. COX:

18 Q And --

19 A She provided it.

20 Q Okay. Okay. And so if a voter provides  
21 this information, what would your office do with  
22 that information, potentially?

23 MR. TAWIL: Objection; form.

24 THE WITNESS: In the event that we  
25 need to contact her or do something, like

1 on the previous one, in a good faith  
2 effort to try and contact them, we would  
3 have a phone number or an email. If it  
4 was, like, an FPCA and you're overseas, I  
5 mean, it's always good to have that email  
6 as well.

7 BY MR. COX:

8 Q Got it.

9 And so -- and to your knowledge, was  
10 Ms. Weisfeld contacted on any of these  
11 contacting -- any of this contact information  
12 provided prior to her ballot being rejected by the  
13 EVBB?

14 MR. TAWIL: Are you asking Perla if  
15 she contacted them, or the EVBB?

16 MR. COX: I'm asking Perla if she  
17 has any knowledge of whether anyone  
18 contacted --

19 MR. TAWIL: I'll object to form  
20 there.

21 MR. COX: -- this voter.

22 THE WITNESS: No, I don't.

23 Everything --

24 BY MR. COX:

25 Q I'm sorry.

1 Q Got it.

2 A -- that have worked with -- Luis Longoria  
3 worked for the City of San Antonio, and so he had  
4 that experience that he's done elections over  
5 there as well. So that's what I look for.

6 Q Okay. And then for Number 8, it says:  
7 "List any special skills, expertise, or trainings  
8 related to elections."

9 Is this basically the same thing,  
10 you're looking for people that have experience for  
11 those same reasons you just listed?

12 A Right. Yes. He's got experience with  
13 Hidalgo County as well.

14 Q Okay. And considering -- and -- but this  
15 application doesn't have any requests for  
16 experience or knowledge or expertise about  
17 comparing signatures; is that right?

18 A Right.

19 Q And this is an application specifically  
20 for the signature verification committee and not  
21 for the broader EVBB; is that right?

22 A Right.

23 Q Okay. And is there any other place where  
24 a person might indicate that they did have  
25 experience in, I don't know, forensic document

1 examination or anything along those lines, or  
2 would they put it here in Number 8? Is that --  
3 that's where they would have to put it?

4 MR. TAWIL: Objection; form.

5 THE WITNESS: I guess that's the  
6 only place.

7 BY MR. COX:

8 Q Okay. And then -- so Pages 19 through, I  
9 think, the end of the document are just more of  
10 these applications for other people that were  
11 appointed to the board. Does that seem right to  
12 you?

13 A Correct.

14 Q And are -- do any of them list any kind of  
15 special skills, expertise, or training related to  
16 either evaluating signatures or document  
17 examination or signature verification or any of  
18 those types of things?

19 A No.

20 Q Okay. All right. That's all the  
21 questions I had on that. And I know we want to  
22 get out for lunch here, but I just have one more  
23 document before that.

24 A Okay.

25 Q And then I think we can get out.

1 check with the SOS and I would check with  
2 my -- with my legal team --

3 BY MR. COX:

4 Q Okay.

5 A -- and seek direction because I've never  
6 had that situation happen.

7 Q Yeah, that's fair.

8 Since you've been city secretary, has  
9 the early voting ballot board or signature  
10 verification committee ever met prior to election  
11 day during any election?

12 A No.

13 Q Okay. Okay. And then the last  
14 question -- and then we can get some lunch here --  
15 is if you could scroll down to the last page, the  
16 very bottom, Item Number 26 allows the inspector  
17 to provide -- it says: "Provide specific  
18 information concerning any unusual activity  
19 personally observed by you."

20 And the inspector responded: "In my  
21 opinion, board members were having a hard time  
22 agreeing on signatures and had a little trouble on  
23 other issues. When ballots were delivered to the  
24 EVBB, it was not locked or sealed."

25 Did I read that correctly?

1 A Yes, you read it correctly.

2 Q Okay. And so during this election last  
3 year, did you ever hear from any members of the  
4 EVBB -- EVBB during the time they were considering  
5 mail-in ballot signatures?

6 A No.

7 Q Okay. And this says that "board members  
8 are having a hard time agreeing on signatures."  
9 In your training for EVBB members, does it include  
10 any specific instructions about what to do if  
11 you're having -- quote, "having a hard time  
12 agreeing on signatures"? Is there any part of the  
13 training that covers what happens -- or what those  
14 board members should do if that happened?

15 A Just what I mentioned to you earlier. If  
16 you can't agree, then take a vote, and if it's  
17 unanimous, to accept or not accept, you know,  
18 that's the -- that's what you decide on, whether  
19 it's a "yes" or a "no," and then you move on.  
20 Otherwise, you delay the process if you spend too  
21 much time trying to agree.

22 It's like, just take a vote, a show of  
23 hand. If it's unanimous, you know, it counts. If  
24 you're still having difficulty, then you take a  
25 vote, you know, again. And if the -- if it's --

1 the verdict's different, then it's -- it gets  
2 overridden and you count it.

3 I'm not sure really what type of  
4 issues the inspector -- I mean, this report, I got  
5 it after the fact. So whatever -- you know, I'm  
6 not sure what they were agreeing or not agreeing  
7 on. I wasn't there.

8 Q Understood.

9 And so I guess let me just ask you  
10 this, then: After you received this report in  
11 July of 2019, you would have discussed it with  
12 your management team at the City of McAllen;  
13 correct?

14 A Correct.

15 Q And were any actions taken subsequent to  
16 getting this inspection report for future  
17 elections or changes to policies and procedures or  
18 trainings or any kind of changes or -- that were  
19 made because of this -- getting this inspection  
20 report?

21 A Yes. The part where the ballots that were  
22 delivered were not locked or sealed. What  
23 happened there -- but we -- we have made some  
24 changes. The inspector got there after -- when  
25 the board was already -- we had already delivered

1 the information, but the -- the information was  
2 under lock and key but in our -- in our office.  
3 So when we, you know, unlocked the cabinets and  
4 took out the information, we gave it to them, but  
5 that's when -- when the inspector got there.

6 What I've done now is we've enclosed  
7 the office and we've moved our records department  
8 to the back area where we're going to keep  
9 everything in boxes that are with -- under lock  
10 and key. And that's what we're going to deliver  
11 to them, and they'll be opening them up  
12 individually by district instead of just --

13 **Q Okay.**

14 A -- everything -- taking everything  
15 out -- out of that drawer that we had.

16 **Q Okay. And then were there any changes or**  
17 **considered changes because of -- to trainings or**  
18 **anything because of the fact that the inspector**  
19 **reported that "board members were having a hard**  
20 **time agreeing on signatures"?**

21 A Right. That's when I started stressing to  
22 them -- so now, you know, at every training, we do  
23 let them know that -- you know, that they're there  
24 just to ascertain that it was the voter that  
25 signed the application and the corresponding



1 carrier envelope, and that, you know, we're not  
2 there to -- to be, you know, handwriting experts.

3 They just need to agree that it was  
4 the same person, and that any other issues, they  
5 just need to take a vote to avoid the  
6 disagreements, instead of going back and forth.  
7 They just need to take a vote when they can't  
8 decide.

9 Q Okay. Great. That is all the questions I  
10 have on this document, and so I appreciate you  
11 sticking with me a little bit past lunchtime, and  
12 let me see here. Sorry. I've got the document  
13 up.

14 MR. COX: Isaac?

15 MR. TAWIL: Yeah.

16 MR. COX: Do you want to take a  
17 full hour, or what do you want to do on  
18 that? To go back to the --

19 MR. TAWIL: I'll defer to Perla.  
20 However long she reasonably needs is okay  
21 with me.

22 MR. COX: Okay. Perla, we had  
23 originally scheduled an hour for lunch.  
24 If you want that full time, you know, we  
25 can do that. If you want to shorten it

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capacity as BRAZOS COUNTY )  
ELECTIONS ADMINISTRATOR; and )  
PERLA LARA, in her official )  
capacity as CITY OF McALLEN, )  
TEXAS, SECRETARY, )

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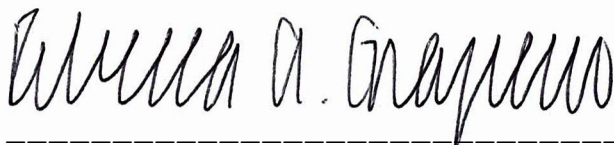
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# Exhibit 13

# EXHIBIT M

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## ROSTER FOR EARLY VOTING BY MAIL - JUNE 22, 2019 RUN-OFF ELECTION DISTRICT 5

DATE BIRTH C.C.D.	DATE BALLOT MAILED	VOID#	DIST.#	NAME	ADDRESS	CITY	STATE	ZIP	MAIL TO ADDRESS	DATE BALLOT REC'D
1	5/24/19	1053350003	5	Johnson, Laurie A.	732 I-J St.	McAllen	TX	78501	Box 306, Exra, IA 50076	6/17/19
2	5/24/19	1053853648	5	Mittelstaedt, Gerard E.	2011 Daffodil	McAllen	TX	78501	832 Leband Ave., Shelybogan, WI 53081	6/4/19
3	5/22/19	1053601404	5	Mittelstaedt, Mona S.	2011 Daffodil	McAllen	TX	78501	832 Leband Ave., Shelybogan, WI 53081	6/4/19
4	5/22/19	1053170016	5	Ingram, Denise	721 N. 15th St.	McAllen	TX	78501	2150 Trarwood Dr. Ste. A160, El Paso, TX 79935	6/10/19
5	5/22/19	1054277136	5	Ingram, John J.	721 N. 15th St.	McAllen	TX	78501	2150 Trarwood Dr. Ste. A160, El Paso, TX 79935	6/11/19
6	5/16/19	1053717627	5	Garcia, Rolando L.	1101 W. Maple Ave.	McAllen	TX	78501	same	6/19/19
7	3/6/19	1055312987	5	Alaniz, Ana Maria	412 N. 16th St.	McAllen	TX	78501	same	5/30/19
8	3/6/19	1053168406	5	Cantu, Olga N.	417 N. 16th St.	McAllen	TX	78501	same	5/29/19
9	3/29/19	1206430689	5	Goolsby, Julia B.	1600 Hibiscus Ave.	McAllen	TX	78501	Calle del Doctor Esquerdo, 128 6th, Madrid Spain 28007	6/18/19
10	4/8/19	1173765404	5	Weisfeld-Hinojosa, Johnathan S.	4801 N. 16th St.	McAllen	TX	78504	11539 Hubener Rd. Apt. 1236, San Antonio, TX 78230	6/3/19
11	4/3/19	1054678350	5	Weisfeld, Rosalie	4801 N. 16th St.	McAllen	TX	78504	9206 Cliffwood Drive, Houston, TX 77096	6/3/19
12	4/22/19	1053267582	5	Moffitt, Mary K.	1601 Marigold	McAllen	TX	78501	same	6/14/19
13	5/20/19	1053791558	5	Samsing, Frances Denise	601 N. 15th St.	McAllen	TX	78501	same	5/29/19
14	5/20/19	1053403020	5	Beard, Scott Robert	601 N. 15th St.	McAllen	TX	78501	same	5/29/19
15	5/22/19	1055547722	5	Perez Garcia, M. Carmen	1101 W. Maple Ave.	McAllen	TX	78501	same	6/19/19
16	5/28/19	1054935676	5	Brown, Phillip K.	1216 Yucca Ave.	McAllen	TX	78504	93 Patten Road, North Haven CT 06473	7/18/19
17	5/28/19	1038626232	5	Brown, Lisbeth L.	1216 Yucca Ave.	McAllen	TX	78504	93 Patten Road, North Haven CT 06473	6/19/19
18	5/31/19	1054117922	5	Fox, Danielle D.	1701 W. Esperanza Ave.	McAllen	TX	78501	P O Box 6326, Carmel by the Sea, CA 93921	6/13/19
19	5/31/19	1055432785	5	Fox, Aaron D.	1701 W. Esperanza Ave.	McAllen	TX	78501	P O Box 6326, Carmel by the Sea, CA 93921	6/13/19
20	5/31/19	1054207368	5	Perez-Trevino, Enrique	1606 Redbud Ave.	McAllen	TX	78504	same	
21	5/31/19	1196731670	5	Ayala, Raul	1312 Beech Ave. Apt. 4	McAllen	TX	78501	same	1/8/19
22	6/3/19	1053314843	5	Luna, Mariana	2064 Lindberg Cir.	McAllen	TX	78501	same	6/11/19
23	6/3/19	1053303961	5	Emry, Verles E.	3816 N. 9th Ct. Apt. 1	McAllen	TX	78501	same	6/7/19
24	6/3/19	1053084263	5	Reyna, Maria	1916 Fir Ave.	McAllen	TX	78501	same	6/10/19
25	6/3/19	1055482301	5	Viada, Luis	1217 Wisteria Ave.	McAllen	TX	78504	same	6/20/19
26	6/3/19	1053907380	5	Rosas, Jesus	315 N. 22nd St.	McAllen	TX	78501	same	6/10/19
27	6/3/19	1054002163	5	Perez, Blanca G.	1512 Redbud Ave.	McAllen	TX	78504	same	6/13/19
28	6/3/19	1053981254	5	Perez, Richard H.	1512 Redbud Ave.	McAllen	TX	78504	same	6/11/19
29	6/3/19	1053866719	5	Gaitan, Socorro	2117 Ithaca Ave.	McAllen	TX	78501	same	6/13/19
30	6/3/19	1053866653	5	Gaitan, Atanacio	2117 Ithaca Ave.	McAllen	TX	78501	same	6/13/19

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31	6/3/19	6/4/19	1054046338	5	Flores, Leonor G.	2136 Lindberg Cir.	McAllen	TX	78501-7247	same	6/7/19
32	6/3/19	6/4/19	1054193310	5	Guerrero, Jose	2223 Date Palm Ave.	McAllen	TX	78501-6967	same	6/7/19
33	6/3/19	6/4/19	1053654061	5	Ramirez, Andres	2021 Gumwood Ave.	McAllen	TX	78501-6882	same	6/11/19
34	6/3/19	6/4/19	1052924367	5	Guerrero, Ofelia	2223 Date Palm Ave.	McAllen	TX	78501-6967	same	6/10/19
35	6/3/19	6/4/19	1053549519	5	Borrego, Adalia	2116 Ebony Ave.	McAllen	TX	78501-6974	same	6/10/19
36	6/3/19	6/4/19	1054018583	5	De Leon, Margarita Villarreal	2016 Japonica Ave.	McAllen	TX	78501-8040	same	6/10/19
37	6/4/19	6/5/19	10533003942	5	Emry, Arthur	3816 N. 9th Ct. Apt. 1	McAllen	TX	78501-1277	same	6/10/19
38	6/4/19	6/5/19	1053430558	5	Guzman, Eufemia	2200 W. Jackson Ave.	McAllen	TX	78501-7245	same	6/10/19
39	6/4/19	6/5/19	1053945321	5	Perez, Yolanda L.	604 S. 21st St.	McAllen	TX	78501-7147	same	6/10/19
40	6/4/19	6/5/19	1053536581	5	Smith, Doris	1517 Whitewing Ave.	McAllen	TX	78501-3136	same	6/13/19
41	6/4/19	6/5/19	1055270874	5	Guzman, Leobardo	2200 W. Jackson Ave.	McAllen	TX	78501-7245	same	6/10/19
42	6/4/19	6/5/19	2138036789	5	Pardue, John O. W.	1612 Hibiscus Ave.	McAllen	TX	78501-1277	3001 S. Congress Ave., Austin TX 78704 1840 Candlewood Court #207, Charlottesville VA 22903	6/12/19
43	6/5/19	6/6/19	1054474918	5	Freeband, Diane Fowler	1213 Kendlewood	McAllen	TX	78501-7121	same	6/19/19
44	6/5/19	6/6/19	1053744584	5	Zapata, Adela	2010 Galveston Ave.	McAllen	TX	78501-5387	same	6/10/19
45	6/5/19	6/6/19	1055507764	5	Perez, Lydia	1314 S. 19 1/2 St.	McAllen	TX	78501-7116	same	6/10/19
46	6/5/19	6/6/19	1053524208	5	Perez, Maria	2123 Fresno Ave.	McAllen	TX	78501-6153	same	6/11/19
47	6/5/19	6/6/19	1053233673	5	Valdez, Maria D.	2217 Camellia Ave.	McAllen	TX	78501-5301	same	6/11/19
48	6/5/19	6/6/19	1054280254	5	Gonzalez, Maria O.	1417 S. 19 1/2	McAllen	TX	78501-6965	same	6/11/19
49	6/5/19	6/6/19	1053164477	5	Sandoval, Herminia	2119 Date Palm Ave.	McAllen	TX	78501-1519	same	6/18/19
50	6/5/19	6/6/19	1053960946	5	Moxley, Karen	1111 Xanthioma Ave.	McAllen	TX	78501-3943	same	6/15/19
51	6/5/19	6/6/19	1054248515	5	Garza, Jesus	1400 W. Gardenia Ave.	McAllen	TX	78501-3714	same	6/19/19
52	6/5/19	6/6/19	1059835610	5	Moritz, Leo	1712 Quamasia Ave.	McAllen	TX	78501-6485	same	6/11/19
53	6/5/19	6/6/19	1052927612	5	De La Garza, Benito	2213 Gumwood Ave.	McAllen	TX	78501-7253	same	6/11/19
54	6/5/19	6/6/19	1053774655	5	Chavez, Lydia	1308 S. 20th St.	McAllen	TX	78501-78501	same	6/11/19
55	6/5/19	6/6/19	1054297743	5	Guerrero, Maria G.	2223 Date Palm Ave.	McAllen	TX	78501-78501	same	6/11/19
56	6/5/19	6/6/19	1186172454	5	Avila, Joseph J.	1600 Wisteria Ave.	McAllen	TX	78501-5038	1161 Mary Jane Way, Fort Collins CO 80524	6/19/19
57	6/6/19	6/6/19	1166968912	5	De La Garza Barron, Juanita	711 S. 11th St. Apt. 9	McAllen	TX	78501-4620	same	6/13/19
58	6/6/19	6/6/19	1053882373	5	Rivera, San (Juanita)	716 N. Broadway St.	McAllen	TX	78501-78504	Hilton Garden Inn Seattle Downtown, 1821Boren Ave., Seattle WA 98101	6/12/19
59	6/7/19	6/7/19	1054591082	5	Millin, Gina K.	1408 Yucca Ave.	McAllen	TX	78501-78504	Hilton Garden Inn Seattle Downtown, 1821Boren Ave., Seattle WA 98101	6/13/19
60	6/7/19	6/7/19	1055324043	5	Millin, John A. IV	1408 Yucca Ave.	McAllen	TX	78501-78504	same	6/13/19

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# REJECTED APPLICATIONS ROSTER FOR EARLY VOTING BY MAIL FOR - JUNE 22, 2019 RUN-OFF ELECTION DISTRICT 5

DATE ABBM REC.D	DATE LETTER MAILED	VUID#	DIST.#	NAME	ADDRESS	CITY	STATE	ZIP	REASON FOR REJECTION
1 6/3/2019	6/4/2019	2120174622	5	Pena, Michelle	2213 17th St.	McAllen	TX	78501	Not signed / residence address of registration was not provided
2 6/3/2019	6/4/2019	1162963827	5	Ramirez, Maria	2021 Gumwood Ave.	McAllen	TX	78501	Not over 65 years of age.
3 6/4/2019	6/4/2019	1054678920	6	Roberson, Robert L.	1616 N. 8th St.	McAllen	TX	78501	District 6
4 6/5/2019	6/5/2019	1052963704	5	Salinas, Estela	4717 N 11th St. #34	McAllen	TX	78504	Residence address of registration was not provided
5 6/6/2019	6/6/2019	1055307226	3	Liscano, Jose H.	2741 Gumwood Ave.	McAllen	TX	78501	District 3
6 6/10/2019	6/12/2019	2125079954	5	Sandoval, Jorge A.	2120 Date Palm Ave.	McAllen	TX	78501	56 years old (12/25/1962)
7 6/10/2019	6/12/2019	2127882447	5	Mueller, Shirley M.	810 S. 16 1/2 St.	McAllen	TX	78501	Not signed
8 6/11/2019	6/12/2019	1053701761	5	Delgado, Pablo	2012 Oakland Ave.	McAllen	TX	78501	Residence address not on file.
9 6/13/2019	6/13/2016	1153464461	5	Reyes, Hiliberta	417 S. 20 1/2 St.	McAllen	TX	78505	ABBM received after the deadline (6/13/19).
10 6/13/2019	6/13/2019	1053167441	5	Cepeda, Juanita	1720 Oakland Ave.	McAllen	TX	78501	ABBM received after the deadline (6/13/19).
11 6/22/2019	6/22/2019	1160550592	6	Molina, Erica Nicole	2708 N. 8th Street	McAllen	TX	78501	District 6
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# APPLICATION FOR BALLOT BY MAIL

(Solicitud Para Recibir Una Boleta Por Correo)

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 VUID: 1053866719  
 PCT: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name

Gaitan

Suffix

First Name

Socorro ✓

Middle Initial

## ADDRESS AT WHICH VOTER IS REGISTERED (DIRECCION DE RESIDENCIA DE INSCRIPCION COMO VOTANTE)

Street Address

2117 Ithaca Ave ✓

City

McAllen

State

TX

ZIP

78501-7238

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I am over 65 years of age and requesting an Annual Ballot By Mail to receive a ballot or all elections in 2019, including local elections and the November 2019 General Election.  
 Mail my ballot to the address indicated above (unless noted otherwise below.)

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Signature of applicant: I certify that the information given in this application is true and I understand that giving false information in this application is a crime. Certifico que la información que se proporciona mediante esta solicitud es cierta y entiendo que es delito dar información falsa.

OPTIONAL: IF YOU ARE NOT ABLE TO RECEIVE YOUR BALLOT AT YOUR REGISTRATION ADDRESS (ABOVE), YOU MAY HAVE YOUR BALLOT MAILED TO AN ALTERNATE ADDRESS

Check One

of these

4 choices:

☐ NURSING HOME, ASSISTED LIVING OR LONG TERM CARE FACILITY

☐ HOSPITAL

☐ RETIREMENT CENTER

☐ RELATIVE, RELATIONSHIP \_\_\_\_\_

STREET ADDRESS

CITY

STATE

ZIP

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# APPLICATION FOR BALLOT BY MAIL. (Solicitud Para Recibir Una Boleta Por Correo)

For Official Use Only

VUID: 1196731670 PCT: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name

Ayala

Suffix

First Name

Raul

Middle Initial

ADDRESS AT WHICH VOTER IS REGISTERED (DIRECCION DE RESIDENCIA DE INSCRIPCION COMO VOTANTE)

Street Address

1312 Beech Ave Apt 4

City

McAllen

State

TX

ZIP

78501-4651

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→ X

Raul Ayala

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Check One ☐ NURSING HOME, ASSISTED LIVING OR LONG TERM CARE FACILITY☐ HOSPITAL☒ RETIREMENT CENTER4 choices: ☐ RELATIVE, RELATIONSHIP

STREET ADDRESS

1312 Beech Ave Apt 4

CITY

McAllen

STATE

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78501-4651

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# APPLICATION FOR BALLOT BY MAIL. (Solicitud Para Recibir Una Boleta Por Correo)

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 1053866653  
 VUID: \_\_\_\_\_ PCT: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name

Gaitan

Suffix

First Name

Atanacio

Middle Initial

ADDRESS AT WHICH VOTER IS REGISTERED (DIRECCION DE RESIDENCIA DE INSCRIPCION COMO VOTANTE)

Street Address

2117 Ithaca Ave

City

McAllen

State

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ZIP

78501-7238



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1 Last Name (Please print information) <b>Freeland</b>	Suffix (Jr., Sr., III, etc.) <b>Diane</b>	First Name <b>Diane</b>	Middle Initial <b>Fowler</b>	Statement of Residence, etc. <b>10374 13110</b>
2 Residence Address: See back of this application for instructions. <b>1213 Kendlewood</b>		City <b>McAllen</b>		ZIP Code <b>78501</b>
3 Mail my ballot to: If mailing address differs from residence address, please complete Box #7. <b>1840 CANDEWOOD COURT #207, 22903</b>		City <b>CHARLOTTEVILLE</b>		State <b>VA</b>
4 Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) (Optional) <b>08/23/1954</b>				
5 Reason for Voting by Mail: <input type="checkbox"/> 65 years of age or older. (Complete Box #6a) <input type="checkbox"/> Disability. (Complete Box #6a) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Expected absence from the county. (Complete Box #6b and Box #8) <input type="checkbox"/> You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only <input type="checkbox"/> Confinement in jail. (Complete Box #6b) <input type="checkbox"/> You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only				
6a ONLY Voters 65 Years of Age or Older or Voters with a Disability: If applying for one election, select appropriate box. If applying once for elections in the calendar year, select "Annual Application." <input type="checkbox"/> Annual Application Uniform and Other Elections: <input type="checkbox"/> May Election <input type="checkbox"/> November Election <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ Primary Elections: You must declare one political party to vote in a primary: <input type="checkbox"/> Democratic Primary <input type="checkbox"/> Republican Primary <input type="checkbox"/> Any Resulting Runoff				
6b ONLY Voters Absent from County or Voters Confined in Jail: You may only apply for a ballot by mail for one election, and any resulting runoff. Please select the appropriate box. Uniform and Other Elections: <input type="checkbox"/> May Election <input type="checkbox"/> November Election <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other _____ Primary Elections: You must declare one political party to vote in a primary: <input type="checkbox"/> Democratic Primary <input type="checkbox"/> Republican Primary <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Any Resulting Runoff				
7 If you are requesting this ballot be mailed to a different address (other than residence), indicate where the ballot will be mailed. See reverse for instructions. <input type="checkbox"/> Mailing Address as listed on my voter registration certificate <input type="checkbox"/> Nursing home, assisted living facility, or long term care facility <input type="checkbox"/> Hospital <input type="checkbox"/> Retirement Center <input type="checkbox"/> Address of the jail <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Relative: relationship <b>SON</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Address outside the county (see Box #8)				
8 If you selected "expected absence from the county," see reverse for instructions <b>06/08/2019</b> — <b>06/24/2019</b> Date you can begin to receive mail at this address Date of return to residence address Voters may submit a completed, signed, and scanned application to the Early Voting (936)681-1029 <b>plara@mcallen.net</b> (early voting clerk's e-mail address) NOTE: If you fax or e-mail this form, please be aware that you must also mail the form to the early voting clerk within four business days. See "Submitting Application" on the back of this form for additional information.				
9 "I certify that the information given in this application is true, and I understand that giving false information in this application is a crime." <b>X</b> <b>Diane F. Freeland</b> Date <b>6-5-19</b>				
10 SIGN HERE If applicant is unable to sign or make a mark in the presence of a witness, the witness shall complete Box #11. If someone helped you to complete this form or mails the form for you, then that person must complete the sections below.				
11 See back for Witness and Assistant definitions. If applicant is unable to mark Box #10 and you are acting as a Witness to that fact, please check this box and sign below. <input type="checkbox"/> If you assisted the applicant in completing this application in the applicant's presence or e-mailed/mailed or faxed the application on behalf of the applicant, please check this box as an Assistant and sign below. <input type="checkbox"/> *If you are acting as Witness and Assistant, please check both boxes. Failure to complete this information is a Class A misdemeanor if signature was witnessed or applicant was assisted in completing the application.				
Signature of Witness /Assistant <b>X</b> _____		Printed Name of Witness/Assistant _____		
Street Address _____		City _____		
Apt Number (if applicable) _____		ZIP Code _____		
State _____				

1 Last Name (Please print information)  
**Fox**

2 Residence Address: See back of this application for instructions.  
**1701 W. Esperanza Ave**

3 Mail my ballot to: If mailing address differs from residence address, please complete Box #7.  
**P.O. Box 6326**

4 Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) (Optional)  
**11/15/1966**


5 Reason for Voting by Mail:  
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☐ Disability. (Complete Box #6a)  
☒ Expected absence from the county. (Complete Box #6b and Box #8)  
☐ You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only  
☐ Confinement in jail. (Complete Box #6b)  
☐ You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only

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☐ Annual Application  
Uniform and Other Elections:  
☐ May Election  
☐ November Election  
☐ Other  
Primary Elections:  
You must declare one political party to vote in a primary:  
☐ Democratic Primary  
☐ Republican Primary  
☐ Any Resulting Runoff

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You may only apply for a ballot by mail for one election, and any resulting runoff.  
Please select the appropriate box.  
Uniform and Other Elections:  
☐ May Election  
☐ November Election  
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☐ Mailing Address as listed on my voter registration certificate  
☐ Nursing home, assisted living facility, or long term care facility  
☐ Hospital  
☐ Retirement Center  
☐ Address of the jail  
☐ Relative; relationship  
☒ Address outside the county (see Box #8)

8 If you selected "expected absence from the county," see reverse for instructions  
**06/05/2019** **10/01/2019**  
Date you can begin to receive mail at this address Date of return to residence address  
Voters may submit a completed, signed, and scanned application to the Early Voting Clerk at:  
**plara@mcallen.net** **(956)681-1029**  
(early voting clerk's e-mail address) (early voting clerk's fax)  
NOTE: If you fax or e-mail this form, please be aware that you must also mail the form to the early voting clerk within four business days. See "Submitting Application" on the back of this form for additional information.

9 "I certify that the information given in this application is true, and I understand that giving false information in this application is a crime."  
 **05/30/19**  
SIGN HERE  
If applicant is unable to sign or make a mark in the presence of a witness, the witness shall complete Box #11.

10 See back for Witness and Assistant definitions.  
If applicant is unable to mark Box #10 and you are acting as a Witness to that fact, please check this box and sign below.  
☐  
If you assisted the applicant in completing this application in the applicant's presence or e-mailed/mailed or faxed the application on behalf of the applicant, please check this box as an Assistant and sign below.  
☐  
\* If you are acting as Witness and Assistant, please check both boxes. Failure to complete this information is a Class A misdemeanor if signature was witnessed or applicant was assisted in completing the application.

Signature of Witness /Assistant  
Printed Name of Witness/Assistant  
City  
State  
Apt Number (if applicable)  
ZIP Code  
Witness' Relationship to Applicant  
(Refer to Instructions on back for clarification)

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**APPLICATION FOR BALLOT BY MAIL**  
(Solicitud Para Recibir Una Boleta Por Correo)

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VID: 1054018583  
PCT: 105

Last Name

De Leon ✓

Suffix

First Name

✓ V. Villarreal

Middle Initial

ADDRESS AT WHICH VOTER IS REGISTERED (DIRECCION DE RESIDENCIA DE INSCRIPCION COMO VOTANTE)

Street Address

2016 Japonica Ave ✓

City

McAllen ✓

State

TX

ZIP

78501-6040 ✓

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Mail my ballot to the address indicated above (unless noted otherwise below.)

→ X Margarita V. De Leon ✓

Signature of applicant. I certify that the information given in this application is true and I understand that giving false information in this application is a crim. Certifico que la informacion que se proporciona mediante esta solicitud es cierta y entiendo que es delito dar informacion falsa

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☐ NURSING HOME, ASSISTED LIVING OR LONG TERM CARE FACILITY

☐ HOSPITAL

☐ RETIREMENT CENTER

☐ RELATIVE, RELATIONSHIP

STREET ADDRESS

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**APPLICATION FOR BALLOT BY MAIL**  
(Solicitud Para Recibir Una Boleta Por Correo)

For Official Use Only

VUID: 10529927612 PCT: \_\_\_\_\_

Middle Initial

Benito ✓

First Name

Suffix

Last Name

De La Garza ✓

ADDRESS AT WHICH VOTER IS REGISTERED (DIRECCION DE RESIDENCIA DE INSCRIPCION COMO VOTANTE)

Street Address

2213 Gumwood Ave ✓

ZIP

78501-6885

State

TX

City

McAllen

I am over 65 years of age and requesting an Annual Ballot By Mail to receive a ballot or all elections in 2019, including local elections and the November 2019 General Election.  
Mail my ballot to the address indicated above (unless noted otherwise below.)

Signature of applicant: *Benito De La Garza*

Signature of applicant. I certify that the information given in this application is true and I understand that giving false information in this application is a crime. Certifico que la información que se proporciona mediante esta solicitud es cierta y entiendo que es delito dar información falsa.

OPTIONAL: IF YOU ARE NOT ABLE TO RECEIVE YOUR BALLOT AT YOUR REGISTRATION ADDRESS (ABOVE), YOU MAY HAVE YOUR BALLOT MAILED TO AN ALTERNATE ADDRESS

Check One of these 4 choices:

- ☐ NURSING HOME, ASSISTED LIVING OR LONG TERM CARE FACILITY  
☐ HOSPITAL  
☐ RETIREMENT CENTER  
☐ RELATIVE, RELATIONSHIP

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## Application for Ballot by Mail

AS-15 12/17

VUID #, County Election Precinct #,  
Statement of Residence, etc.

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1	Last Name (Please print information) <u>Sutton</u>	Suffix (Jr., Sr., II, etc)	First Name <u>Martha</u>	Middle Initial <u>C</u>
2	Residence Address: See back of this application for instructions. <u>1405 Yucca Ave.</u>	City <u>McAllen</u>	State <u>TX</u>	ZIP Code <u>78501</u>
3	Mail my ballot to if mailing address differs from residence address, please complete Box #7. <u>1616 Birchmont Beach Rd NE.</u>	City <u>Bemidji</u>	State <u>Mn</u>	ZIP Code <u>56601</u>
4	Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) (Optional) <u>11/19/1942</u>	Contact Information (Optional) Please list phone number and/or email address: <u>956.648.3430</u>		
5	Reason for Voting by Mail: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 65 years of age or older. (Complete Box #6a) <input type="checkbox"/> Disability. (Complete Box #6a) <input type="checkbox"/> Expected absence from the county. (Complete Box #6b and Box #8) <input type="checkbox"/> You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only <input type="checkbox"/> Confinement in jail. (Complete Box #6b) <input type="checkbox"/> You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only	<input type="checkbox"/> Mailing Address as listed on my voter registration certificate <input type="checkbox"/> Nursing home, assisted living facility, or long term care facility <input type="checkbox"/> Hospital <input type="checkbox"/> Retirement Center <input type="checkbox"/> Address of the jail <input type="checkbox"/> Relative; relationship _____ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Address outside the county (see Box #8)		
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**APPLICATION FOR BALLOT BY MAIL:**  
**(Solicitud Para Recibir Una Boleta Por Correo)**

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VUID: 1053774655

PCT: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name

Chavez

Suffix

First Name

Lydia

Middle Initial

**ADDRESS AT WHICH VOTER IS REGISTERED (DIRECCION DE RESIDENCIA DE INSCRIPCION COMO VOTANTE)**

Street Address

1308 S 20th St

City

McAllen

State

TX

ZIP

78501-7253



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Check One

of these

4 choices:

☐ NURSING HOME, ASSISTED LIVING OR LONG TERM CARE FACILITY☐ HOSPITAL☐ RETIREMENT CENTER☐ RELATIVE, RELATIONSHIP \_\_\_\_\_

STREET ADDRESS

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# APPLICATION FOR BALLOT BY MAIL

## (Solicitud Para Recibir Una Boleta Por Correo)

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 VUID: 1054046338  
 PCT: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name ☒ Flores  
 Suffix \_\_\_\_\_  
 First Name ☒ Leonor  
 Middle Initial ☒ G

### ADDRESS AT WHICH VOTER IS REGISTERED (DIRECCION DE RESIDENCIA DE INSCRIPCION COMO VOTANTE)

Street Address

2136 Lindberg Cir

City

McAllen

State

TX

ZIP

78501-7247

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Check One ☐ NURSING HOME, ASSISTED LIVING OR LONG TERM CARE FACILITY

of these ☐ HOSPITAL

4 choices: ☐ RETIREMENT CENTER

☐ RELATIVE, RELATIONSHIP \_\_\_\_\_

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**APPLICATION FOR BALLOT BY MAIL..**  
**(Solicitud Para Recibir Una Boleta Por Correo)**

For Official Use Only

VUID: 1054156341 PCT: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name

Lanham

Suffix

First Name

Minnie

Middle Initial

F. Falcon

ADDRESS AT WHICH VOTER IS REGISTERED (DIRECCION DE RESIDENCIA DE INSCRIPCION COMO VOTANTE)

Street Address

718 N 16th St

City

McAllen

State

TX

ZIP

78501-4722

I am over 65 years of age and requesting an Annual Ballot By Mail to receive a ballot or all elections in 2019, including local elections and the November 2019 General Election.  
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*X Minnie F. Lanham*

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Check one: ☐ NURSING HOME, ASSISTED LIVING OR LONG TERM CARE FACILITY ☐ STREET ADDRESS

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☐ HOSPITAL

☐ JAIL

☐ PRISON

☐ OTHER

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# APPLICATION FOR BALLOT BY MAIL (Solicitud Para Recibir Una Boleta Por Correo)

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VUID: 10555-07764

PCT: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name

Perez ✓

Suffix

First Name

Lydia ✓

Middle Initial

ADDRESS AT WHICH VOTER IS REGISTERED (DIRECCION DE RESIDENCIA DE INSCRIPCION COMO VOTANTE)

Street Address

1314 S 19 1/2 St ✓

City

McAllen

State

TX

ZIP

78501-5387

✓

I am over 65 years of age and requesting an Annual Ballot By Mail to receive a ballot or all elections in 2019, including local elections and the November 2019 General Election.  
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X Lydia Perez ✓

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STREET ADDRESS

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# APPLICATION FOR BALLOT BY MAIL

(Solicitud Para Recibir Una Boleta Por Correo)

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 1053981254  
 VUID: PCT:

Last Name

Perez

Suffix

First Name

Richard

Middle Initial

H.

ADDRESS AT WHICH VOTER IS REGISTERED (DIRECCION DE RESIDENCIA DE INSCRIPCION COMO VOTANTE)

Street Address

1512 Redbud Ave

City

McAllen

State

TX

ZIP

78504-4609



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☐ HOSPITAL

☐ RETIREMENT CENTER

☐ RELATIVE, RELATIONSHIP

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**Application for Ballot by Mail**

Prescribed by the Office of the Secretary of State of Texas AS-19 1217

For Official Use Only  
VUID # (For Election Precinct #)  
Statement of Residence, etc.

1 Last Name (Please print information) **Lara** First Name **Tomasa** Middle Initial **A**

2 Residence Address: See back of this application for instructions. **2109 Fir Ave.** City **McAllen** State **TX** ZIP Code **78501**

3 Mail my ballot to: If mailing address differs from residence address, please complete Box #7.

4 Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) (Optional) **1/2/2019**

5 Reason for Voting by Mail: ☒ 65 years of age or older. (Complete Box #6a)  
☐ Disability. (Complete Box #6a)  
☐ Expected absence from the county. (Complete Box #6b and Box #8)  
☐ You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only  
☐ Confinement in jail. (Complete Box #6b)  
☐ You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only

6a ONLY Voters 65 Years of Age or Older or Voters with a Disability:  
 If applying for one election, select appropriate box.  
 If applying once for elections in the calendar year, select "Annual Application."  
☐ Annual Application  
 Uniform and Other Elections:  
☐ May Election  
☐ November Election  
☐ Other  
☒ Any Resulting Runoff  
 Primary Elections:  
 You must declare your political party to vote in a primary:  
☐ Democratic Primary  
☐ Republican Primary  
☒ Any Resulting Runoff

6b ONLY Voters Absent from County or Voters Confined in Jail:  
 You may only apply for a ballot by mail for one election, and any resulting runoff.  
 Please select the appropriate box.  
 Uniform and Other Elections:  
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☐ Republican Primary  
☐ Any Resulting Runoff

7 If you are requesting this ballot be mailed to a different address (other than residence), indicate where the ballot will be mailed. See reverse for instructions.  
☐ Mailing Address as listed on my voter registration certificate  
☐ Address of the jail  
☐ Nursing home, assisted living facility, or long term care facility  
☐ Relative relationship  
☐ Hospital  
☐ Address outside the county (see Box #8)  
☐ Retirement Center

8 If you selected "expected absence from the county," see reverse for instructions

9 Voters may submit a completed, signed, and scanned application to the Early Voting Clerk at:  
**plara@mcallen.net** (early voting clerk's e-mail address)  
**(956) 681-1029** (early voting clerk's fax)  
 NOTE: If you fax or e-mail this form, please be aware that you must also mail the form to the early voting clerk within four business days. See "Submitting Application" on the back of this form for additional information.

10 I certify that the information given in this application is true, and I understand that giving false information in this application is a crime.

**X Tomasa Lara** Date

SIGN HERE  
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 \*If you are acting as Witness and Assistant, please check both boxes. Failure to complete this information is a Class A misdemeanor. If signature was witnessed or applicant was assisted in completing the application.

**X** Signature of Witness /Assistant  
**X** Printed Name of Witness/Assistant  
 City  
 Apt Number (if applicable)  
 State  
 ZIP Code

Witness' Relationship to Applicant  
 (Refer to Instructions on back for clarification)

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AD-13 (2/11) VOID IF QUALITY ELECTION PREPARED BY STATEMENT OF RESIDENCE, ETC. W201026432

1 Last Name (Please print information) **BROWN** ✓ Suffix (Jr., Sr., III, etc.) First Name **LIZBETH** ✓ Middle Initial **L** **W** **E** **N** **E** **T** **H** **A** **V** **E** **N**

2 Residence Address: See back of this application for instructions. **1216 YUCCA AVENUE** ✓ City **MC AULEN** ✓, TX ZIP Code **78504** ✓

3 Mail my ballot to: If mailing address differs from residence address, please complete Box # 7. **93 PATTER ROAD** City **NORTH HAVEN** State **CT** ZIP Code **06473**

4 Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) (Optional) **11/23/1948** ✓

5 Reason for Voting by Mail:

☐ 65 years of age or older. (Complete Box #6a)

☐ Disability. (Complete Box #6a)

☒ Expected absence from the county. (Complete Box #6b and Box #8)

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☐ Annual Application

Uniform and Other Elections:

☐ May Election

☐ November Election

☐ Other

Primary Elections: You must declare one political party to vote in a primary:

☐ Democratic Primary

☐ Republican Primary

☐ Any Resulting Runoff

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Uniform and Other Elections:

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☐ Mailing Address as listed on my voter registration certificate

☐ Nursing home, assisted living facility, or long term care facility

☐ Hospital

☐ Retirement Center.

☐ Address of the jail

☒ Relative; relationship **NEPHEW**

☐ Address outside the county (see Box #8)

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**06/09/2019** - **06/23/2019** ✓

Date you can begin to receive mail at this address

Date of return to residence address

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**X** **Lizbeth L. Brown** ✓ Date **5-23-2019**

SIGN HERE

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☒ Signature of Witness/Assistant

☒ Printed Name of Witness/Assistant

City

State

ZIP Code

Witness' Relationship to Applicant (Refer to Instructions on back for clarification)



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# APPLICATION FOR BALLOT BY MAIL (Solicitud Para Recibir Una Boleta Por Correo)

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 VUID: 10542-74410  
 PCT:

Last Name

Villalpando

Suffix

First Name

Paula

Middle Initial

Street Address

516 S 15th St Apt 2

ADDRESS AT WHICH VOTER IS REGISTERED (DIRECCION DE RESIDENCIA DE INSCRIPCION COMO VOTANTE)

ZIP

TX

State

McAllen

78501-5280

I am over 65 years of age and requesting an Annual Ballot By Mail to receive a ballot or all elections in 2019, including local elections and the November 2019 General Election.  
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Check One ☐ NURSING HOME, ASSISTED LIVING OR LONG TERM CARE FACILITY

of these ☐ HOSPITAL

4 choices: ☐ RETIREMENT CENTER

☐ RELATIVE, RELATIONSHIP

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## Application for Ballot by Mail

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AS-15 12/17For Official Use Only  
VUID #, County Election Precinct #,  
Statement of Residence, etc.

1	Last Name (Please print information) <b>Weisfeld-Hinojosa</b>	First Name <b>Johnathan</b>	Middle Initial <b>S</b>
2	Residence Address: See back of this application for instructions. <b>4801 N. 16th St.</b>	City <b>McAllen</b>	State <b>TX</b>
3	Mail my ballot to: If mailing address differs from residence address, please complete Box #7. <b>11539 Hubener Rd. Apt. 3236</b>	City <b>San Antonio</b>	State <b>TX</b>
4	Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) (Optional) <b>1/0/06/1992</b>	City <b>San Antonio</b>	State <b>TX</b>

## Contact Information (Optional)

Please list phone number and/or email address:  
\* Used in case our office has questions.

## Reason for Voting by Mail:

- ☐ 65 years of age or older. (Complete Box #5a)
- ☐ Disability. (Complete Box #5a)
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- ☐ Hospital
- ☐ Retirement Center
- ☐ Address of the jail
- ☐ Relative; relationship \_\_\_\_\_
- ☒ Address outside the county (see Box #8)

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## Uniform and Other Elections:

- ☐ May Election
- ☐ November Election
- ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

## Primary Elections:

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Signature of Witness /Assistant

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Printed Name of Witness/Assistant

Street Address

Apt Number (if applicable)

City

State

ZIP Code

Witness' Relationship to Applicant  
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SIGN HERE

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Date

4/3/19

Date you can begin to receive mail at this address  
04/03/2019Date of return to residence address  
08/01/2019

Voters may submit a completed, signed, and scanned application to the Early Voting Clerk at:

(early voting clerk's e-mail address)

(early voting clerk's fax)

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Last Name Lopez	Suffix	First Name Elia	Middle Initial Guadalupe
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ADDRESS AT WHICH VOTER IS REGISTERED (DIRECCION DE RESIDENCIA DE INSCRIPCION COMO VOTANTE)

Street Address 2009 Japonica Ave	State TX	ZIP 78501-6039
City McAllen		

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OPTIONAL: IF YOU ARE NOT ABLE TO RECEIVE YOUR BALLOT AT YOUR REGISTRATION ADDRESS (ABOVE), YOU MAY HAVE YOUR BALLOT MAILED TO AN ALTERNATE ADDRESS

Check One of these 4 choices:	STREET ADDRESS	CITY	STATE	ZIP
<input type="checkbox"/> NURSING HOME, ASSISTED LIVING OR LONG TERM CARE FACILITY				
<input type="checkbox"/> HOSPITAL				
<input type="checkbox"/> RETIREMENT CENTER				
<input type="checkbox"/> RELATIVE, RELATIONSHIP				

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1. Last Name (Please print information) **BROWN** ✓

2. Residence Address: See back of this application for instructions.  
**1216 YUCCA AVENUE** ✓

3. Mail my ballot to: If mailing address differs from residence address, please complete Box # 7.  
**93 PATTEN ROAD**

4. Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) (Optional)  
**01/29/1947** ✓

5. Reason for Voting by Mail:  
☐ 65 years of age or older. (Complete Box #6a)  
☐ Disability. (Complete Box #6a)  
☒ Expected absence from the county. (Complete Box #6b and Box #8)  
☐ You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only  
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☐ Annual Application  
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☐ May Election  
☐ November Election  
☐ Other  
☒ Any Resulting Runoff

9. Voters may submit a completed, signed, and scanned application to the Early Voting Center at **plac@mcallen.net** (early voting clerk's e-mail address)  
 NOTE: If you fax or e-mail this form, please be aware that you must also mail the form to the early voting clerk within four business days. See "Submitting Application" on the back of this form for additional information.  
 Date you can begin to receive mail at this address: **06/09/2019** — Date of return to residence address: **06/23/2019** ✓

10. "I certify that the information given in this application is true, and I understand that giving false information in this application is a crime."  
 SIGN HERE  
 If applicant is unable to sign or make a mark in the presence of a witness, the witness shall complete Box #11.  
 X *[Signature]* Date **5/23/19** ✓

11. See back for Witness and Assistant definitions.  
 If applicant is unable to mark Box #10 and you are acting as a Witness to that fact, please check this box and sign below. ☐  
 If you assisted the applicant in completing this application in the applicant's presence or e-mailed/mailed or faxed the application on behalf of the applicant, please check this box as an Assistant and sign below. ☐  
 \*If you are acting as Witness and Assistant, please check both boxes. Failure to complete this information is a Class A misdemeanor if signature was witnessed or applicant was assisted in completing the application.  
 X  
 Signature of Witness /Assistant  
 Street/Address  
 Apt Number (if applicable)  
 State  
 ZIP Code  
 Printed Name of Witness/Assistant  
 City  
 ZIP Code  
 Witness' Relationship to Applicant  
 (Refer to instructions on back for clarification)

7. If you are requesting this ballot be mailed to a different address (other than residence), indicate where the ballot will be mailed. See reverse for instructions.  
☐ Mailing Address as listed on my voter registration certificate  
☐ Nursing home, assisted living facility, or long term care facility  
☐ Hospital  
☐ Retirement Center  
☐ Address of the jail  
☒ Relative, relationship **NEPHEW**  
☐ Address outside the county (see Box #8)

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**06/09/2019** — **06/23/2019** ✓

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 State  
 ZIP Code  
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**APPLICATION FOR BALLOT BY MAIL.**  
(Solicitud Para Recibir Una Boleta Por Correo)

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VUID: 1053945321 PCT: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name

Perez ✓

Suffix

First Name

Yolanda ✓

Middle Initial

L. Lechuga

ADDRESS AT WHICH VOTER IS REGISTERED (DIRECCION DE RESIDENCIA DE INSCRIPCION COMO VOTANTE)

Street Address

604 S 21st St ✓

City

McAllen

State

TX

ZIP

78501-7147

3/17/1933



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☐ HOSPITAL

☐ RETIREMENT CENTER

☐ RELATIVE, RELATIONSHIP \_\_\_\_\_

STREET ADDRESS

CITY

STATE

ZIP

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APPX-000277

1 Last Name (Please print information) Carroll Suffix (Jr., Sr., III, etc) CA First Name Carroll Middle Initial CA

2 Residence Address: See back of this application for instructions. 520 000 N. 20th City MSAthen State TX ZIP Code 78507

3 Mail my ballot to: If mailing address differs from residence address, please complete Box #7.

4 Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) (Optional) 12/13/1928

5 Reason for Voting by Mail: ☒ 65 years of age or older. (Complete Box #6a) ☐ Disability. (Complete Box #6a) ☐ Expected absence from the county. (Complete Box #6b and Box #8) ☐ You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only ☐ Confinement in jail. (Complete Box #6b) ☐ You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only

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Primary Elections: You must declare one political party to vote in a primary: ☐ Democratic Primary ☐ Republican Primary ☒ Any Resulting Runoff

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X OTILIA CARRANZA Date ✓

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X Signature of Witness/Assistant OTILIA CARRANZA Printed Name of Witness/Assistant OTILIA CARRANZA City MSAthen State TX ZIP Code 78507 Apt Number (if applicable) 000

Witness' Relationship to Applicant (Refer to Instructions on back for clarification)

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# APPLICATION FOR BALLOT BY MAIL. (Solicitud Para Recibir Una Boleta Por Correo)

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 VUID: 10535-24208  
 PCT:

Last Name

Perez

Suffix

First Name

Maria

✓

Middle Initial

Del Socorro

ADDRESS AT WHICH VOTER IS REGISTERED (DIRECCION DE RESIDENCIA DE INSCRIPCION COMO VOTANTE)

Street Address

2123 Fresno Ave ✓

City

McAllen

State

TX

ZIP

78501-7116

☒

I am over 65 years of age and requesting an Annual Ballot By Mail to receive a ballot or all elections in 2019, including local elections and the November 2019 General Election.  
 Mail my ballot to the address indicated above (unless noted otherwise below.)

☒

X MARIA S. PEREZ

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Check One

☐ NURSING HOME, ASSISTED LIVING OR LONG TERM CARE FACILITY

☐ HOSPITAL

☐ RETIREMENT CENTER

☐ RELATIVE, RELATIONSHIP

4 choices:

STREET ADDRESS

CITY

STATE

ZIP

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**APPLICATION FOR BALLOT BY MAIL**  
(Solicitud Para Recibir Una Boleta Por Correo)

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VUID: 1053549519

PCT: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name

Borrego ✓

Suffix

First Name

Adalia ✓

Middle Initial

Esther

ADDRESS AT WHICH VOTER IS REGISTERED (DIRECCION DE RESIDENCIA DE INSCRIPCION COMO VOTANTE)

Street Address

2116 Ebony Ave ✓

City

McAllen

State

TX

ZIP

78501-6974

8/28/1944

Signature of applicant

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→ X Adalia E. Borrego ✓

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☐ HOSPITAL

☐ RETIREMENT CENTER

☐ RELATIVE, RELATIONSHIP \_\_\_\_\_

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**APPLICATION FOR BALLOT BY MAIL.**  
**Solicitud Para Recibir Una Boleta Por Correo)**

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 VUID: 1059835610 PCT: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name Moritz ✓ First Name Leo ✓ Middle Initial \_\_\_\_\_  
 Suffix \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS AT WHICH VOTER IS REGISTERED (DIRECCION DE RESIDENCIA DE INSCRIPCION COMO VOTANTE)**

Street Address 1712 Quamasia Ave ✓  
 City McAllen State TX ZIP 78504-3714  
12/06/1927

I am over 65 years of age and requesting an Annual Ballot By Mail to receive a ballot or all elections in 2019, including local elections and the November 2019 General Election.  
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☐ HOSPITAL  
☐ RETIREMENT CENTER  
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**APPLICATION FOR BALLOT BY MAIL**  
(Solicitud Para Recibir Una Boleta Por Correo)

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VUID: 1053960946 PCT: \_\_\_\_\_

Middle Initial

First Name

Suffix

Last Name

Moxley

Karen

ADDRESS AT WHICH VOTER IS REGISTERED (DIRECCION DE RESIDENCIA DE INSCRIPCION COMO VOTANTE)

Street Address

1111 Xanthisma Ave

City

McAllen

State

TX

ZIP

78504-3519

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Check One ☐ NURSING HOME, ASSISTED LIVING OR LONG TERM CARE FACILITY

of these ☐ HOSPITAL

4 choices: ☐ RETIREMENT CENTER

☐ RELATIVE, RELATIONSHIP

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# APPLICATION FOR BALLOT BY MAIL: (Solicitud Para Recibir Una Boleta Por Correo)

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 VUID: 1054002163  
 PCT:

Last Name

Perez

Suffix

First Name

Blanca

Middle Initial

G

ADDRESS AT WHICH VOTER IS REGISTERED (DIRECCION DE RESIDENCIA DE INSCRIPCION COMO VOTANTE)

Street Address

1512 Redbud Ave

City

McAllen

State

TX

ZIP

78504-4609

☒

I am over 65 years of age and requesting an Annual Ballot By Mail to receive a ballot or all elections in 2019, including local elections and the November 2019 General Election.  
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☒

Blanca A. Perez

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☐ HOSPITAL

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of these 4 choices:

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CITY

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<b>1</b> Last Name (Please print information) <b>Garcia</b>	<b>2</b> Suffix (Jr., Sr., III, etc.) <b>Ma: i: o: Guadalupe</b>	<b>3</b> First Name <b>Ma: i: o: Guadalupe</b>	<b>4</b> Middle Initial <b>A</b>
<b>5</b> Residence Address: See back of this application for instructions. <b>1613 New Port</b>		<b>6</b> City <b>TX</b>	<b>7</b> ZIP Code <b>1053984717</b>
<b>8</b> Mail my ballot to: If mailing address differs from residence address, please complete Box # 7. <b>1613 New Port</b>		<b>9</b> City <b>TX</b>	<b>10</b> State <b>TX</b>
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1053654061  
VUID: \_\_\_\_\_ PCT: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name

Ramirez ✓

Suffix

First Name

Andres ✓

Middle Initial

ADDRESS AT WHICH VOTER IS REGISTERED (DIRECCION DE RESIDENCIA DE INSCRIPCION COMO VOTANTE)

Street Address

2021 Gumwood Ave ✓

City

McAllen ✓

State

TX

ZIP

78501-6882 ✓

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→ X *Ramirez* ✓

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1 Last Name (Please print information) McAllen Suffix (Jr., Sr., III, etc) — First Name Gina Middle Initial K

2 Residence Address: See back of this application for instructions. 1408 W. Yucca Ave. City McAllen ZIP Code 78504 State TX

3 Mail my ballot to: If mailing address differs from residence address, please complete Box #3. Shilton Garden Inn Seattle, Downtown City Seattle ZIP Code 98101 State WA

4 Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) (Optional) 07/29/1971 Contact Information (Optional)\*  
Please list phone number and/or email address:  
\* Used in case our office has questions.  
(956) 451-0835

5 Reason for Voting by Mail:  
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X plara Date 6/7/19

SIGN HERE  
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X Signature of Witness/Assistant  
Printed Name of Witness/Assistant —  
City — ZIP Code —  
Street Address — Apt Number (if applicable) —  
State —

Witness' Relationship to Applicant  
(Refer to Instructions on back for clarification)

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# APPLICATION FOR BALLOT BY MAIL. (Solicitud Para Recibir Una Boleta Por Correo)

For Official Use Only

VUID: 1053882373 PCT:

Last Name

Rivera

Suffix

First Name

San

Middle Initial

Travita

ADDRESS AT WHICH VOTER IS REGISTERED (DIRECCION DE RESIDENCIA DE INSCRIPCION COMO VOTANTE)

Street Address

716 N Broadway St

City

McAllen

State

TX

ZIP

78501-4620



I am over 65 years of age and requesting an Annual Ballot By Mail to receive a ballot or all elections in 2019, including local elections and the November 2019 General Election.  
Mail my ballot to the address indicated above (unless noted otherwise below)



Signature of applicant. I certify that the information given in this application is true and I understand that giving false information in this application is a crime. Certifico que la informacion que se proporciona mediante esta solicitud es cierta y entiendo que es delito dar informacion falsa.

OPTIONAL: IF YOU ARE NOT ABLE TO RECEIVE YOUR BALLOT AT YOUR REGISTRATION ADDRESS (ABOVE), YOU MAY HAVE YOUR BALLOT MAILED TO AN ALTERNATE ADDRESS

Check One of these 4 choices:

☐ NURSING HOME, ASSISTED LIVING OR LONG TERM CARE FACILITY

☐ HOSPITAL

☐ RETIREMENT CENTER

☐ RELATIVE, RELATIONSHIP

STREET ADDRESS

CITY

STATE

ZIP

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Application for Ballot by Mail

AS-15-12/17

VOID #, County Election Precinct #, Statement of Residence, etc.

1 Last Name (Please print information) **MITTELSTAEDT** ✓

2 Residence Address: See back of this application for instructions. **2011 DAFODIL AVE** ✓

3 Mail my ballot to: If mailing address differs from residence address, please complete Box # 7. **832 LELAND AVE** ✓

4 Date of Birth: (mm/dd/yyyy) (Optional) **01/27/1948** ✓

5 Reason for Voting by Mail:

☒ 65 years of age or older. (Complete Box #6a)

☐ Disability. (Complete Box #6a)

☒ Expected absence from the county. (Complete Box #6b and Box #8)

☐ You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only

☐ Confinement in jail. (Complete Box #6b)

☐ You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only

6a ONLY Voters 65 Years of Age or Older or Voters with a Disability: If applying for one election, select appropriate box. If applying once for elections in the calendar year, select "Annual Application."

☐ Annual Application

Uniform and Other Elections:

☐ May Election

☐ November Election

☐ Other

Primary Elections:

You must declare one political party to vote in a primary:

☐ Democratic Primary

☐ Republican Primary

☐ Any Resulting Runoff

6b ONLY Voters Absent from County or Voters Confined in Jail: You may only apply for a ballot by mail for one election, and any resulting runoff. Please select the appropriate box.

Uniform and Other Elections:

☐ May Election

☐ November Election

☐ Other

Primary Elections:

You must declare one political party to vote in a primary:

☐ Democratic Primary

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☐ Mailing Address as listed on my voter registration certificate

☐ Nursing home, assisted living facility, or long term care facility

☐ Hospital

☐ Retirement Center

8 If you selected "expected absence from the county," see reverse for instructions

**05/27/2019** — **06/30/2019**

Date you can begin to receive mail at this address

Date of return to residence address

9 Voters may submit a completed, signed, and scanned application to the Early Voting Clerk at:

(early voting clerk's e-mail address)

(early voting clerk's fax)

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**X Gerard E Mittelstaedt** ✓ Date **5-22-2019** ✓

SIGN HERE

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☐

☒ Printed Name of Witness/Assistant

☒ Signature of Witness/Assistant

City

State

ZIP Code

Witness' Relationship to Applicant (Refer to Instructions on back for clarification)

City

State

ZIP Code

Street Address

Apt Number (if applicable)

State

ZIP Code

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# APPLICATION FOR BALLOT BY MAIL

(Solicitud Para Recibir Una Boleta Por Correo)

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 VUID: 1166968912 PCT: 12

Last Name

De La Cruz Barron

Suffix

First Name

Juanita

Middle Initial

ADDRESS AT WHICH VOTER IS REGISTERED (DIRECCION DE RESIDENCIA DE INSCRIPCION COMO VOTANTE)

Street Address

711 S 11th St Apt 9

City

McAllen

State

TX

ZIP

78501-5038



I am over 65 years of age and requesting an Annual Ballot By Mail to receive a ballot or all elections in 2019, including local elections and the November 2019 General Election.  
 Mail my ballot to the address indicated above (unless noted otherwise below.)

 X Juanita de la Cruz Barron

Signature of applicant. I certify that the information given in this application is true and I understand that giving false information in this application is a crime. Certificado que la informacion que se proporciona mediante esta solicitud es cierta y entiendo que es delito dar informacion falsa

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Check One

of these

4 choices:

☐ NURSING HOME, ASSISTED LIVING OR LONG TERM CARE FACILITY

☐ HOSPITAL

☐ RETIREMENT CENTER

☐ RELATIVE, RELATIONSHIP

STREET ADDRESS

CITY

STATE

ZIP

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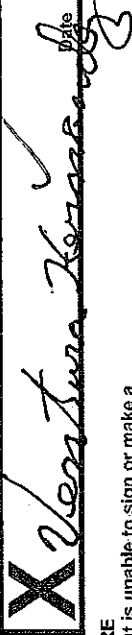


## Application of Ballot by Mail

AG-15 (2/17) VUD #, County Election Precinct #, Statement of Residence, etc.

11/16/2017

(A)

1	Last Name (Please print information) <b>Hernandez</b>		Suffix (Jr., III, etc.)	First Name <b>Ventura</b>	Middle Initial
2	Residence Address: See back of this application for instructions. <b>2245 Occanee</b>		City <b>Meriden</b>	State <b>TX</b>	ZIP Code <b>78501</b>
3	Mail my ballot to: If mailing address differs from residence address, please complete Box #7.				
4	Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) (Optional) <b>10/31/1945</b>				
5	Reason for Voting by Mail: <input type="checkbox"/> 65 years of age or older. (Complete Box #6a) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Disability. (Complete Box #6a) <input type="checkbox"/> Expected absence from the county. (Complete Box #6b and Box #8) <input type="checkbox"/> You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only <input type="checkbox"/> Confinement in jail. (Complete Box #6b) <input type="checkbox"/> You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only				
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6b	<b>ONLY Voters Absent from County or Voters Confined in Jail:</b> You may only apply for a ballot by mail for one election, and any resulting runoff. Please select the appropriate box. Uniform and Other Elections: <input type="checkbox"/> May Election <input type="checkbox"/> November Election <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ Primary Elections: You must declare one political party to vote in a primary: <input type="checkbox"/> Democratic Primary <input type="checkbox"/> Republican Primary <input type="checkbox"/> Any Resulting Runoff				
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8	If you selected "expected absence from the county," see reverse for instructions Date you can begin to receive mail at this address: <b>10/31/2017</b> Date of return to residence address: <b>11/16/2017</b> Voters may submit a completed, signed, and scanned application to the Early Voting Clerk at: <b>plara@mcallen.net</b> (956) 681-1029 (early voting clerk's fax) NOTE: If you fax or e-mail this form, please be aware that you must also mail the form to the early voting clerk within four business days. See "Submitting Application" on the back of this form for additional information.				
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Signature of Witness /Assistant <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			Printed Name of Witness/Assistant <b>Ventura Hernandez</b>		
Street Address <b>2245 Occanee</b>			City <b>Meriden</b>		
Apt Number (if applicable) 			ZIP Code <b>78501</b>		
State <b>TX</b>			Witness' Relationship to Applicant (Refer to instructions on back for clarification) 		

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**APPLICATION FOR BALLOT BY MAIL**  
(Solicitud Para Recibir Una Boleta Por Correo)

For Official Use Only

VUID: 1055482301 PCT: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name

Viada ✓

Suffix

First Name

Luis ✓

Middle Initial

Antonio

ADDRESS AT WHICH VOTER IS REGISTERED (DIRECCION DE RESIDENCIA DE INSCRIPCION COMO VOTANTE)

Street Address

1217 Wisteria Ave ✓

City

McAllen ✓

State

TX

ZIP

78504-3510

☒ I am over 65 years of age and requesting an Annual Ballot By Mail to receive a ballot or all elections in 2019, including local elections and the November 2019 General Election.  
Mail my ballot to the address indicated above (unless noted otherwise below.)

→ X Luis Viada ✓

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Check One

☐ NURSING HOME, ASSISTED LIVING OR LONG TERM CARE FACILITY

☐ HOSPITAL

☐ RETIREMENT CENTER

☐ RELATIVE, RELATIONSHIP \_\_\_\_\_

STREET ADDRESS

CITY

STATE

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As-15 /217

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VUID #: County Election Precinct #:  
Statement of Residence, etc.

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VUID #, County Election Precinct #,  
Statement of Residence, etc.

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A5-15 12/17

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application for

Last Name (Please print information)		First Name		Middle Initial
Barrera		Luzdivina		
Suffix (Jr., Sr., III, etc)		City		
		McAllen, TX		
		City		ZIP Code
				78501
		State		ZIP Code

Residence Address: See back of this application for instructions.

2220 Date Palm Ave

Mail my ballot to: if mailing address differs from residence address, please complete Box # 7.

Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) (Optional)

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Contact Information (Optional)\*  
Please list phone number and/or email address;  
\* Used in case our office has questions.

**Reason for Voting by Mail:**

☒ 65 years of age or older. (Complete Box #6a)

☐ Disability. (Complete Box #6a)

☐ Expected absence from the county. (Complete Box #6b and Box #8)

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☐ You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only

**ONLY Voters 65 Years of Age or Older or Voters with a Disability:**  
If applying for one election, select appropriate box.  
If applying once for elections in the calendar year, select "Annual Application."

☐ Annual Application

**Uniform and Other Elections:**

☐ May Election  
☐ November Election  
☒ Other Runoff

**Primary Elections:**  
You must declare one political party to vote in a primary.

☐ Democratic Primary  
☐ Republican Primary  
☒ Any Resulting Runoff

**8** If you selected "expected absence from the county," see reverse for instructions

Date you can begin to receive mail at this address \_\_\_\_\_

Date of return to residence address \_\_\_\_\_

**9** Voters may submit a completed, signed, and scanned application to the Early Voting Clerk at:  
plara@mcallen.net (956) 681-1029  
(early voting clerk's e-mail address) (early voting clerk's fax)

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Please select the appropriate box.

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Uniform and Other Elections:

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☐ November Election

☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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**X** *Fuzdim Barua* Date \_\_\_\_\_

**See back for Witness and Assistant definitions.**

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**X** \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Witness /Assistant

\_\_\_\_\_ Apt Number (if applicable)

\_\_\_\_\_ Street Address

\_\_\_\_\_ City

**X** \_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name of Witness/Assistant

**Witness' Relationship to Applicant**  
**(Refer to Instructions on back for clarification)**

\_\_\_\_\_



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# APPLICATION FOR BALLOT BY MAIL (Solicitud Para Recibir Una Boleta Por Correo)

For Official Use Only

VUID: 1054280254 PCT: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name

Gonzalez ✓

Suffix

First Name

Maria ✓

Middle Initial

## ADDRESS AT WHICH VOTER IS REGISTERED (DIRECCION DE RESIDENCIA DE INSCRIPCION COMO VOTANTE)

Street Address

1419 S 19 1/2 St

1417 S. 19 1/2 ✓

City

McAllen

State

TX

ZIP

78501-5301

☒

I am over 65 years of age and requesting an Annual Ballot By Mail to receive a ballot or all elections in 2019, including local elections and the November 2019 General Election.  
Mail my ballot to the address indicated above (unless noted otherwise below.)

☒

X Maria D. Gonzalez ✓

Signature of applicant. I certify that the information given in this application is true and I understand that giving false information in this application is a crime. Certificado que la información que se proporciona mediante esta solicitud es cierta y entiendo que es delito dar información falsa.

OPTIONAL: IF YOU ARE NOT ABLE TO RECEIVE YOUR BALLOT AT YOUR REGISTRATION ADDRESS (ABOVE), YOU MAY HAVE YOUR BALLOT MAILED TO AN ALTERNATE ADDRESS

Check One

of these

4 choices:

☐ NURSING HOME, ASSISTED LIVING OR LONG TERM CARE FACILITY

☐ HOSPITAL

☐ RETIREMENT CENTER

☐ RELATIVE, RELATIONSHIP

STREET ADDRESS

CITY

STATE

ZIP

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# APPLICATION FOR BALLOT BY MAIL. (Solicitud Para Recibir Una Boleta Por Correo)

For Official Use Only

VUID: 1053430558 PCT: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name

Guzman ✓

Suffix

First Name

Eufemia ✓

Middle Initial

N/A

ADDRESS AT WHICH VOTER IS REGISTERED (DIRECCION DE RESIDENCIA DE INSCRIPCION COMO VOTANTE)

Street Address

2200 W Jackson Ave ✓

City

McAllen

State

TX

ZIP

78501-7245

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I am over 65 years of age and requesting an Annual Ballot By Mail to receive a ballot or all elections in 2019, including local elections and the November 2019 General Election.  
Mail my ballot to the address indicated above (unless noted otherwise below.)

Signature of applicant. I certify that the information given in this application is true and I understand that giving false information in this application is a crime. Certifico que la informacion que se proporciona mediante esta solicitud es cierta y entiendo que es delito dar informacion falsa

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Check One ☐ NURSING HOME, ASSISTED LIVING OR LONG TERM CARE FACILITY ☐ HOSPITAL ☐ RETIREMENT CENTER ☐ RELATIVE, RELATIONSHIP

STREET ADDRESS

CITY

STATE

ZIP

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## Application for Ballot by Mail

Prescribed by the Office of the Secretary of State of Texas  
AS-15 12/17For Official Use Only  
VUD # County Election Precinct #  
Statement of Residence, etc.

1	Last Name (Please print information) <b>RUIZ</b>	First Name <b>Maria A. Anita</b>	Middle Initial <b>1919425971</b>
2	Residence Address: See back of this application for instructions. <b>111 South 11st, Apt. 5</b>	City <b>McAllen</b>	State <b>TX</b>
3	Mail my ballot to: If mailing address differs from residence address, please complete Box #7.	City <b>McAllen</b>	ZIP Code <b>78501</b>

4 Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) (Optional)  
☒ 05 ☐ 10 ☐ 15 ☐ 19 ☐ 39

5 Reason for Voting by Mail:  
☐ 65 years of age or older. (Complete Box #6a)  
☐ Disability. (Complete Box #6a)  
☐ Expected absence from the county. (Complete Box #6b and Box #8)  
☐ You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only  
☐ Confinement in jail. (Complete Box #6b)  
☐ You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only

6a ONLY Voters 65 Years of Age or Older or Voters with a Disability:  
 If applying for one election, select appropriate box.  
 If applying once for elections in the calendar year, select "Annual Application."  
☐ Annual Application  
☐ May Election  
☐ November Election  
☐ Other

6b ONLY Voters Absent from County or Voters Confined in Jail:  
 You may only apply for a ballot by mail for one election, and any resulting runoff.  
 Please select the appropriate box.  
☐ May Election  
☐ November Election  
☐ Other

7 If you are requesting this ballot be mailed to a different address (other than residence), indicate where the ballot will be mailed. See reverse for instructions.  
☐ Mailing Address as listed on my voter registration certificate  
☐ Nursing home, assisted living facility, or long term care facility  
☐ Hospital  
☐ Retirement Center

8 If you selected "expected absence from the county," see reverse for instructions  
☐ Address of the jail  
☐ Relative; relationship  
☐ Address outside the county (see Box #8)

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**plara@mcallen.net** (956) 681-1029  
 (early voting clerk's fax)  
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**X Maria Ruiz**  
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Application for Ballot by Mail

Prescribed by the Office of the Secretary of State, Texas  
 VOID # 1053717627 A5-15e 08/15  
 VOID #, County Election Precinct #, Statement of Residence, etc.

1. Last Name (Please print information) **GARCIA** ✓

2. Residence Address: See back of this application for instructions.  
**1101 W. MAPLE AVE** ✓

3. Mail my ballot to: If mailing address differs from residence address, please complete Box #7.

4. Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) (Optional)  
**01/01/1949**

5. Reason for Voting by Mail:  
☒ 65 years of age or older. (Complete Box #5a)  
☐ Disability. (Complete Box #5a)  
☐ Expected absence from the county. (Complete Box #5b and Box #8)  
☐ You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only  
☐ Confinement in jail. (Complete Box #5b)  
☐ You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only

6a. ONLY Voters 65 Years of Age or Older or Voters with a Disability:  
 If applying for one election, select appropriate box.  
 If applying once for elections in the calendar year, select "Annual Application."  
☒ Annual Application  
☐ Uniform and Other Elections:  
☐ May Election  
☐ November Election  
☐ Other  
☒ Primary Elections:  
 You must declare one political party to vote in a primary:  
☒ Democratic Primary  
☐ Republican Primary  
☐ Any Resulting Runoff

6b. ONLY Voters Absent from County or Voters Confined in Jail:  
 You may only apply for a ballot by mail for one election, and any resulting runoff.  
 Please select the appropriate box.  
☐ Uniform and Other Elections:  
☐ May Election  
☐ November Election  
☐ Other  
☐ Primary Elections:  
 You must declare one political party to vote in a primary:  
☐ Democratic Primary  
☐ Republican Primary  
☐ Any Resulting Runoff

7. If you are requesting this ballot be mailed to a different address (other than residence), indicate where the ballot will be mailed. See reverse for instructions.  
☐ Mailing Address as listed on my voter registration certificate  
☐ Nursing home, assisted living facility, or long term care facility  
☐ Hospital  
☐ Retirement Center  
☐ Address of the jail  
☐ Relative; relationship \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Address outside the county (see Box #8)

8. If you selected "expected absence from the county," see reverse for instructions  
 Date you can begin to receive mail at this address: **01/01/1949**  
 Date of return to residence address: **01/01/1949**

9. Contact Information (Optional)\*  
 Please list phone number and/or email address:  
 \* Used in case our office has questions.  
**956-212-2686**  
**varcib14@gmail.com**

10. Notice to Voter: Effective September 1, 2015, you may submit a completed, signed and scanned application to the early voting clerk at \_\_\_\_\_  
 (early voting clerk's e-mail address)

Signature of Applicant: **[Signature]** Date: **5/8/19**

REC'D MAY 16 2019

Signature of Witness (Assistant): **[Signature]**  
 Printed Name of Witness/Assistant: \_\_\_\_\_

Witness' Relationship to Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Select an instruction on back for clarification)

See back for Witness and Assistant definitions.  
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☒ \* If you are acting as Witness and Assistant



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## Application for Ballot by Mail

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5-15 12/17For Official Use Only  
VUID # County Election Precinct #  
Statement of Residence, etc.

1 Last Name (Please print information)

Ruiz

Suffix (Jr., Sr., III, etc)

Dolores

First Name

Dolores

City

McAllen

State

TX

Middle Initial

D

ZIP Code

78501

ZIP Code

78501

2 Residence Address: See back of this application for instructions.

1101 S 19 1/2 St

3 Mail my ballot to: If mailing address differs from residence address, please complete Box #7.

4 Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) (Optional)

5/3/1934

5 Reason for Voting by Mail:

☒ 65 years of age or older. (Complete Box #6a)☐ Disability. (Complete Box #6a)☐ Expected absence from the county. (Complete Box #6b and Box #8)☐ You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only☐ Confinement in jail. (Complete Box #6b)☐ You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only

6a ONLY Voters 65 Years of Age or Older or Voters with a Disability:

If applying for one election, select appropriate box.

If applying once for elections in the calendar year, select "Annual Application."

☐ Annual Application

Uniform and Other Elections:

☐ May Election☐ November Election☐ Other

Primary Elections:

You must declare one political party to vote in a primary:

☐ Democratic Primary☐ Republican Primary☒ Any Resulting Runoff

6b ONLY Voters Absent from County or Voters Confined in Jail:

You may only apply for a ballot by mail for one election, and any resulting runoff.

Please select the appropriate box.

Uniform and Other Elections:

☐ May Election☐ November Election☐ Other

Primary Elections:

You must declare one political party to vote in a primary:

☐ Democratic Primary☐ Republican Primary☐ Any Resulting Runoff

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Signature of Witness /Assistant

Printed Name of Witness/Assistant

City

Apt Number (if applicable)

State

ZIP Code

Witness' Relationship to Applicant

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# APPLICATION FOR BALLOT BY MAIL. (Solicitud Para Recibir Una Boleta Por Correo)

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 VUID: 1053164477  
 PCT:

Last Name

Sandoval

Suffix

First Name

Herminia

Middle Initial

ADDRESS AT WHICH VOTER IS REGISTERED (DIRECCION DE RESIDENCIA DE INSCRIPCION COMO VOTANTE)

Street Address

2119 Date Palm Ave

City

McAllen

State

TX

ZIP

78501-6965

☒

I am over 65 years of age and requesting an Annual Ballot By Mail to receive a ballot or all elections in 2019, including local elections and the November 2019 General Election.  
 Mail my ballot to the address indicated above (unless noted otherwise below.)

☒

 Signature of applicant: *Herminia Sandoval*

Signature of applicant: I certify that the information given in this application is true and I understand that giving false information in this application is a crime. Certifico que la informacion que se proporciona mediante esta solicitud es cierta y entiendo que es delito dar informacion falsa

OPTIONAL: IF YOU ARE NOT ABLE TO RECEIVE YOUR BALLOT AT YOUR REGISTRATION ADDRESS (ABOVE), YOU MAY HAVE YOUR BALLOT MAILED TO AN ALTERNATE ADDRESS

Check One

☐ NURSING HOME, ASSISTED LIVING OR LONG TERM CARE FACILITY

☐ HOSPITAL

☐ RETIREMENT CENTER

☐ RELATIVE, RELATIONSHIP

STREET ADDRESS

CITY

STATE

ZIP

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AD-10, 12/11

Voter's County, Precinct, etc.

Statement of Residence, etc.

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1	Last Name (Please print information) <b>JOHNSON</b>	Suffix (Jr., Sr., III, etc.) <b>Ms.</b>	First Name <b>Laurie</b>	Middle Initial <b>Ann</b>
2	Residence Address: See back of this application for instructions. <b>732 EJ St.</b>	City <b>McAllen</b>	State <b>TX</b>	ZIP Code <b>78501</b>
3	Mail my ballot to: If mailing address differs from residence address, please complete Box #7. <b>Box 306</b>	City <b>Exira</b>	State <b>IA</b>	ZIP Code <b>50076</b>

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Contact Information (Optional)  
Please list phone number and/or email address: **LJrockcol@aol.com**  
Used in case our office has questions.

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Reason for Voting by Mail:  
☐ 65 years of age or older. (Complete Box #6a)  
☐ Disability. (Complete Box #6a)  
☒ Expected absence from the county. (Complete Box #6b and Box #8)  
☐ You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only  
☐ Confinement in jail. (Complete Box #6b)  
☐ You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only

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If you are requesting this ballot be mailed to a different address (other than residence), indicate where the ballot will be mailed. See reverse for instructions.  
☐ Mailing Address as listed on my voter registration certificate  
☐ Address of the jail  
☐ Nursing home, assisted living facility, or long term care facility  
☐ Relative; relationship \_\_\_\_\_  
☒ Hospital  
☒ Address outside the county (see Box #8)  
☐ Retirement Center

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If you selected "expected absence from the county," see reverse for instructions

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06/02/2019 - 07/24/2019  
Date you can begin to receive mail at this address

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Voters may submit a completed, signed, and scanned application to the Early Voting Clerk at the following address:  
**plara@mcallen.net**  
 (early voting clerk's e-mail address)  
 (956) 681-1029  
 (early voting clerk's fax)  
 NOTE: If you fax or e-mail this form, please be aware that you must also mail the form to the early voting clerk within four business days. See "Submitting Application" on the back of this form for additional information.

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"I certify that the information given in this application is true, and I understand that giving false information in this application is a crime."

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Signature of Applicant  
**Laurie A. Johnson**  
 Date  
**05/19/2019**

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ONLY Voters Absent from County or Voters Confined in Jail:  
 You may only apply for a ballot by mail for one election, and any resulting runoff.  
 Please select the appropriate box.  
 Uniform and Other Elections:  
☐ May Election  
☐ November Election  
☒ Other **June 2019**  
 Primary Elections:  
☐ You must declare one political party to vote in a primary:  
☐ Democratic Primary  
☐ Republican Primary  
☒ Any Resulting Runoff


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Signature of Witness/Assistant  
**X**  
 Printed Name of Witness/Assistant  
 City  
 APT Number (if applicable)  
 State  
 ZIP Code

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Application for Ballot by Mail		For Official Use Only VUID #, County Election Precinct #, Statement of Residence, etc.	
1	Last Name (Please print information) <b>Pardue</b>	First Name <b>John</b>	Middle Initial <b>O. W.</b>
2	Residence Address: See back of this application for instructions. <b>1612 Hibiscus Ave</b>	City <b>McAllen</b>	TX ZIP Code <b>78501</b>
3	Mail my ballot to: If mailing address differs from residence address, please complete Box #7. <b>3001 S. Congress Ave</b>	City <b>Austin</b>	TX ZIP Code <b>78704</b>
4	Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) (Optional) <b>05/25/2019</b>	Contact Information (Optional)* Please list phone number and/or email address: * Used in case our office has questions.	
5	Reason for Voting by Mail: <input type="checkbox"/> 65 years of age or older. (Complete Box #6a) <input type="checkbox"/> Disability. (Complete Box #6a) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Expected absence from the county. (Complete Box #6b and Box #6c) <input type="checkbox"/> You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only <input type="checkbox"/> Confinement in jail. (Complete Box #6b) <input type="checkbox"/> You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only	<input type="checkbox"/> Address of the jail <input type="checkbox"/> Relative; relationship _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Address outside the county (see Box #8)	
6a	ONLY Voters 65 Years of Age or Older or Voters with a Disability: If applying for one election, select appropriate box. If applying once for elections in the calendar year, select "Annual Application." <input type="checkbox"/> Annual Application <input type="checkbox"/> Uniform and Other Elections: <input type="checkbox"/> May Election <input type="checkbox"/> November Election <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Primary Elections: <input type="checkbox"/> You must declare one political party to vote in a primary: <input type="checkbox"/> Democratic Primary <input type="checkbox"/> Republican Primary <input type="checkbox"/> Any Resulting Runoff	<input type="checkbox"/> If you selected "expected absence from the county," see reverse for instructions <input type="checkbox"/> If you are requesting this ballot be mailed to a different address (other than residence), indicate where the ballot will be mailed. See reverse for instructions. <input type="checkbox"/> Mailing Address as listed on my voter registration certificate <input type="checkbox"/> Nursing home, assisted living facility, or long term care facility <input type="checkbox"/> Hospital <input type="checkbox"/> Retirement Center <input type="checkbox"/> If you selected "expected absence from the county," see reverse for instructions <input type="checkbox"/> Date you can begin to receive mail at this address <input type="checkbox"/> Date of return to residence address <input type="checkbox"/> Voters may submit a completed, signed, and scanned application to the Early Voting Clerk at: _____ (early voting clerk's fax) <input type="checkbox"/> (early voting clerk's e-mail address) NOTE: If you fax or e-mail this form, please be aware that you must also mail the form to the early voting clerk within four business days. See "Submitting Application" on the back of this form for additional information. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I certify that the information given in this application is true, and I understand that giving false information in this application is a crime.	
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AS-15 12/17 VUJO # County Election Precinct #, Statement of Residence, etc. 1053251601

(A) John

1 Last Name (Please print information) Zinsmeister First Name Edward Middle Initial J

2 Residence Address: See back of this application for instructions. 1500 Marigold Ave. City Ms Allen State TX ZIP Code 78501

3 Mail my ballot to: If mailing address differs from residence address, please complete Box #7. 1500 Marigold Ave. City Ms Allen State TX ZIP Code 78501

4 Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) (Optional) 02/03/1940

5 Reason for Voting by Mail: ☒ 55 years of age or older. (Complete Box #5a) ☐ Disability. (Complete Box #5a) ☐ Expedited absence from the county. (Complete Box #5b and Box #8) ☐ You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only ☐ Confinement in jail. (Complete Box #5b) ☐ You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only

6 ONLY Voters 65 Years of Age or Older or Voters with a Disability: If applying for one election, select appropriate box. If applying once for elections in the calendar year, select "Annual Application." ☐ Annual Application ☐ Uniform and Other Elections: ☐ May Election ☐ November Election ☒ Other ☒ Any Resulting Runoff

7 If you are requesting this ballot be mailed to a different address (other than residence), indicate where the ballot will be mailed. See reverse for instructions. ☐ Mailing Address as listed on my voter registration certificate ☐ Address of the jail ☐ Nursing home, assisted living facility, or long term care facility ☐ Relative; relationship ☐ Hospital ☐ Address outside the county (see Box #8) ☐ Retirement Center

8 If you selected "expected absence from the county," see reverse for instructions. ☐ Date you can begin to receive mail at this address ☐ Date of return to residence address

9 Voters may submit a completed, signed, and scanned application to the Early Voting Clerk at: plara@mcallen.net (956) 681-1029 (early voting clerk's fax) NOTE: If you fax or e-mail this form, please be aware that you must also mail the form to the early voting clerk within four business days. See "Submitting Application" on the back of this form for additional information.

10 "I certify that the information given in this application is true, and I understand that giving false information in this application is a crime."

Signature of Applicant Edward Zinsmeister Date 06/10/2019

SIGN HERE If applicant is unable to sign or make a mark in the presence of a witness, the witness shall complete Box #11.

Signature of Witness/Assistant Sandra Zinsmeister Printed Name of Witness/Assistant Ms Allen, TX City 78501 State TX ZIP Code 78501 Witness' Relationship to Applicant (Refer to Instructions on back for clarification) wife

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AB-10 12/17 VUU # County Election Precinct #, Statement of Residence, etc.

1 Last Name (Please print information) Ingaram ✓ Suffix (Jr., Sr., III, etc.) John ✓ Middle Initial J. Joseph ✓  
 2 Resident Address: See back of this application for instructions. 721 N. 15th Street ✓ City McAllen ✓, TX ZIP Code 78501 ✓  
 3 Mail my ballot to: If mailing address differs from residence address, please complete Box #7. 22150 Fawcett Drive Ste. A11D City El Paso State TX ZIP Code 79935  
 4 Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) (Optional) 000310 07 19 60 ✓

### Contact Information (Optional)\*

Please list phone number and/or email address:  
 \* Used in case our office has questions.

7 If you are requesting this ballot be mailed to a different address (other than residence), indicate where the ballot will be mailed. See reverse for instructions.

- ☐ Mailing Address as listed on my voter registration certificate  
☐ Nursing home, assisted living facility, or long term care facility  
☐ Hospital  
☐ Retirement Center  
☐ Address of the jail  
☐ Relative; relationship \_\_\_\_\_  
☒ Address outside the county (see Box #8) ✓

8 If you selected "expected absence from the county," see reverse for instructions

05/30/2019 07/01/2019 ✓

Date you can begin to receive mail at this address Date of return to residence address

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ONLY Voters Absent from County or Voters Confined in Jail: You may only apply for a ballot by mail for one election, and any resulting runoff.

Please select the appropriate box.

- Uniform and Other Elections:  
☒ May Election  
☐ November Election  
☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_  
☒ Any Resulting Runoff ✓
- Primary Elections:  
 You must declare one political party to vote in a primary:  
☐ Democratic Primary  
☐ Republican Primary  
☒ Any Resulting Runoff ✓

SIGN HERE  
 If applicant is unable to sign or make a mark in the presence of a witness, the witness shall complete Box #11.

Date 5/20/19 ✓

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X Signature of Witness /Assistant

X Printed Name of Witness/Assistant

Street Address

Apt Number (if applicable)

City

Witness' Relationship to Applicant  
 (Refer to Instructions on back for clarification)

State

ZIP Code

**Application for Ballot by Mail**

VUID #, County Election Precinct #, Statement of Residence, etc. **1053791558**

**1** Last Name (Please print information) **SANSING** Suffix (Jr., Sr., III, etc.) **FRANCES DENISE** Middle Initial **A**

**2** Residence Address: See back of this application for instructions. **601 N. 15th ST** City **MCALLEN** State **TX** ZIP Code **78501**

**3** Mail my ballot to: If mailing address differs from residence address, please complete Box #7. **601 N. 15th ST.** City **MCALLEN** State **TX** ZIP Code **78501**

**4** Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) (Optional) **04/25/1951**

**5** Reason for Voting by Mail: ☒ 65 years of age or older. (Complete Box #6a) ☐ Disability. (Complete Box #6a) ☒ Expected absence from the county. (Complete Box #6b and Box #8) ☐ You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only ☐ Confinement in jail. (Complete Box #6b) ☐ You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only

**6a** ONLY Voters 65 Years of Age or Older or Voters with a Disability: If applying for one election, select appropriate box. If applying once for elections in the calendar year, select "Annual Application."

☐ Annual Application

**6b** ONLY Voters Absent from County or Voters Confined in Jail: You may only apply for a ballot by mail for one election, and any resulting runoff. Please select the appropriate box.

Uniform and Other Elections: ☐ May Election ☐ November Election ☐ Other ☐ Any Resulting Runoff

Primary Elections: You must declare one political party to vote in a primary: ☐ Democratic Primary ☐ Republican Primary ☒ Any Resulting Runoff

**7** Contact Information (Optional)\* Please list phone number and/or email address: \* Used in case our office has questions. **956-499-5824** **dsensing444@gmail.com**

**8** If you selected "expected absence from the county," see reverse for instructions. **05/17/2019** Date you can begin to receive mail at this address **07/03/2019** Date of return to residence address

**9** Voters may submit a completed, signed, and scanned application to the Early Voting Clerk at **plara@mcallen.net** (956) 681-1029 (early voting clerk's fax)

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**12** SIGN HERE **X F. Denise Sansing** Date **5.16.19**

If someone helped you to complete this form or mails the form for you, then that person must complete the sections below.

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**14** Signature of Witness /Assistant **X** Printed Name of Witness/Assistant **X** Witness' Relationship to Applicant (Refer to Instructions on back for clarification)

Street Address City ZIP Code

Appt Number (if applicable) State

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1 Last Name (Please print information) <b>Avila</b>		Suffix (Jr., Sr., III, etc.) <b>JOSEPH</b>		First Name <b>JOHN</b>		Middle Initial <b>J</b>		Last Name <b>JOHN</b>	
2 Residence Address: See back of this application for instructions. <b>1600 WISTERIA AVE</b>		City <b>McAllen</b>		State <b>TX</b>		Zip Code <b>78504</b>			
3 Mail my ballot to: If mailing address differs from residence address, please complete Box #7. <b>1161 MARY JANE WAY</b>		City <b>FOOT COLLINS</b>		State <b>CO</b>		Zip Code <b>80524</b>			
4 Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) (Optional) <b>10/11/1991</b>									
5 Reason for Voting by Mail: <input type="checkbox"/> 65 years of age or older. (Complete Box #6a) <input type="checkbox"/> Disability. (Complete Box #6a) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Expected absence from the county. (Complete Box #6b and Box #8) You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only <input type="checkbox"/> Confinement in jail. (Complete Box #6b) You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only		7 If you are requesting this ballot be mailed to a different address (other than residence), indicate where the ballot will be mailed. See reverse for instructions. <input type="checkbox"/> Mailing Address as listed on my voter registration certificate <input type="checkbox"/> Nursing home, assisted living facility, or long term care facility <input type="checkbox"/> Hospital <input type="checkbox"/> Retirement Center		8 If you selected "expected absence from the county," see reverse for instructions <b>05/31/2019 - 08/10/2019</b>		9 Contact Information (Optional)* Please list phone number and/or email address: * Used in case our office has questions.		10 "I certify that the information given in this application is true, and I understand that giving false information in this application is a crime." <b>X</b>	
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**Application for Ballot by Mail**

1. Last Name (Please print information) Jackson Suffix (Jr., Sr., III, etc) None For Official Use Only: County Election Precinct # 1053316957 Statement of Residence, Inc.

2. Residential Address: See back of this application for instructions 2701 Orange Ave. City Aurora State TX ZIP Code 78501

3. Mail my ballot to: If mailing address differs from residence address, please complete Box #7.

4. Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) (Optional) 04/22/1924 Contact Information (Optional)\* Please list phone number and/or email address: pcallen \* Used in case our office has questions.

5. Reason for Voting by Mail: ☒ 65 years of age or older. (Complete Box #6a) ☐ Disability. (Complete Box #6a) ☐ Expected absence from the county. (Complete Box #6b and Box #8) ☐ You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only ☐ Confinement in jail. (Complete Box #8b) ☐ You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only

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Primary Elections: You must declare one political party to vote in a primary: ☐ Democratic Primary ☐ Republican Primary ☐ Any Resulting Runoff

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7. If you are requesting this ballot be mailed to a different address (other than residence), indicate where the ballot will be mailed. See reverse for instructions. ☐ Address of the jail ☐ Relative; relationship ☐ Address outside the county (see Box #8)

8. If you selected "expected absence from the county," see reverse for instructions. ☐ Address of the jail ☐ Relative; relationship ☐ Address outside the county (see Box #8)

9. Voters may submit a completed, signed, and scanned application to the Early Voting Clerk at: plara@mcallen.net (early voting clerk's e-mail address) (956) 681-1029 (early voting clerk's fax) Date you can begin to receive mail at this address: 04/22/1924 Date of return to residence address: 04/22/1924

10. "I certify that the information given in this application is true, and I understand that giving false information in this application is a crime."

**SIGN HERE** If applicant is unable to sign or make a mark in the presence of a witness, the witness shall complete Box #11.

X Aurora Jackson Date 06/22/20

11. See back for Witness and Assistant definitions. If someone helped you to complete this form or mails the form for you, then that person must complete the sections below.

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☒ Signature of Witness/Assistant pcallen Printed Name of Witness/Assistant pcallen

☐ Street Address pcallen City pcallen State TX ZIP Code 78501

Witness' Relationship to Applicant (Refer to Instructions on back for clarification)

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# APPLICATION FOR BALLOT BY MAIL. (Solicitud Para Recibir Una Boleta Por Correo)

For Official Use Only

VUID: 1054207368

PCT: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name

Perez-Trevino ✓

Suffix

First Name

Enrique ✓

Middle Initial

G. ✓

ADDRESS AT WHICH VOTER IS REGISTERED (DIRECCION DE RESIDENCIA DE INSCRIPCION COMO VOTANTE)

Street Address

1606 Redbud Ave ✓

City

McAllen

State

TX

ZIP

78504-4620

☒ I am over 65 years of age and requesting an Annual Ballot By Mail to receive a ballot or all elections in 2019, including local elections and the November 2019 General Election.  
Mail my ballot to the address indicated above (unless noted otherwise below.)

Signature of applicant. I certify that the information given in this application is true and I understand that giving false information in this application is a crime. Certificado que la información que se proporciona mediante esta solicitud es cierta y entiendo que es delito dar información falsa.

OPTIONAL: IF YOU ARE NOT ABLE TO RECEIVE YOUR BALLOT AT YOUR REGISTRATION ADDRESS (ABOVE), YOU MAY HAVE YOUR BALLOT MAILED TO AN ALTERNATE ADDRESS

Check One ☐ NURSING HOME, ASSISTED LIVING OR LONG TERM CARE FACILITY

of these ☐ HOSPITAL

4 choices: ☐ RETIREMENT CENTER

☐ RELATIVE, RELATIONSHIP \_\_\_\_\_

STREET ADDRESS

CITY

STATE

ZIP

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# APPLICATION FOR BALLOT BY MAIL

## (Solicitud Para Recibir Una Boleta Por Correo)

For Official Use Only  
 VUID: 1053233673  
 PCT: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name Valdez ✓ Suffix First Name Maria ✓ Middle Initial D Del Roble

### ADDRESS AT WHICH VOTER IS REGISTERED (DIRECCION DE RESIDENCIA DE INSCRIPCION COMO VOTANTE)

Street Address 2217 Camellia Ave ✓  
 City McAllen State TX ZIP 78501-6153  
 10/24/1949

I am over 65 years of age and requesting an Annual Ballot By Mail to receive a ballot or all elections in 2019, including local elections and the November 2019 General Election.  
 Mail my ballot to the address indicated above (unless noted otherwise below.)

Signature of applicant: I certify that the information given in this application is true and I understand that giving false information in this application is a crime. Certifico que la información que se proporciona mediante esta solicitud es cierta y entiendo que es delito dar información falsa.

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Check One of these 4 choices:  
☐ NURSING HOME, ASSISTED LIVING OR LONG TERM CARE FACILITY  
☐ HOSPITAL  
☐ RETIREMENT CENTER  
☐ RELATIVE, RELATIONSHIP

STREET ADDRESS

CITY

STATE

ZIP

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## Application for Ballot by Mail

1 Last Name (Please print information) MAHARREVE First Name DIANE Middle Initial HAIE

2 Residence Address: See back of this application for instructions. 130542 AVE City MCALLEN State TX ZIP Code 78504

3 Mail my ballot to: If mailing address differs from residence address, please complete Box #7.

4 Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) (Optional) 08/18/1947

5 Reason for Voting by Mail:

☐ 65 years of age or older. (Complete Box #6a)

☒ Disability. (Complete Box #6a) LEGALLY BLIND

☐ Expected absence from the county. (Complete Box #6b and Box #8)

☐ You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only

☐ Confinement in jail. (Complete Box #6b)

☐ You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only

6a ONLY Voters 65 Years of Age or Older or Voters with a Disability: If applying for one election, select appropriate box. If applying once for elections in the calendar year, select "Annual Application."

☒ Annual Application

Uniform and Other Elections:

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☐ November Election

☐ Other

☐ Any Resulting Runoff

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☐ Mailing Address as listed on my voter registration certificate

☐ Nursing home, assisted living facility, or long term care facility

☐ Hospital

☐ Retirement Center

☐ Address of the jail

☐ Relative; relationship

☐ Address outside the county (see Box #8)

8 If you selected "expected absence from the county," see reverse for instructions

Date you can begin to receive mail at this address

Date of return to residence address

Voters may submit a completed, signed, and scanned application to the Early Voting Clerk at:

9 (early voting clerk's e-mail address)

NOTE: If you fax or e-mail this form, please be aware that you must also mail the form to the early voting clerk within four business days. See "Submitting Application" on the back of this form for additional information.

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Signature of Witness/Assistant X Printed Name of Witness/Assistant MARICIA HARTMAN

Signature of Applicant X Printed Name of Applicant DIANE MAHARREVE

Street Address 130542 AVE City MCALLEN State TX ZIP Code 78504

Apri Number (if applicable) 78550

Witness' Relationship to Applicant Daughter

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Signature of Witness/Assistant X Printed Name of Witness/Assistant MARICIA HARTMAN

Signature of Applicant X Printed Name of Applicant DIANE MAHARREVE

Street Address 130542 AVE City MCALLEN State TX ZIP Code 78504

Apri Number (if applicable) 78550

Witness' Relationship to Applicant Daughter

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# APPLICATION FOR BALLOT BY MAIL (Solicitud Para Recibir Una Boleta Por Correo)

For Official Use Only

VUID: 1054248515

PCT: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name

Garza

Suffix

First Name

Jesus

Middle Initial

Miguel

ADDRESS AT WHICH VOTER IS REGISTERED (DIRECCION DE RESIDENCIA DE INSCRIPCION COMO VOTANTE)

Street Address

1400 W Gardenia Ave

City

McAllen

State

TX

ZIP

78501-3943



I am over 65 years of age and requesting an Annual Ballot By Mail to receive a ballot or all elections in 2019, including local elections and the November 2019 General Election.  
Mail my ballot to the address indicated above (unless noted otherwise below.)

Signature of applicant. I certify that the information given in this application is true and I understand that giving false information in this application is a crim. Certificado que la informacion que se proporciona mediante esta solicitud es cierta y entiendo que es delito dar informacion falsa

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Check One

of these

4 choices:

☐ NURSING HOME, ASSISTED LIVING OR LONG TERM CARE FACILITY

☐ HOSPITAL

☐ RETIREMENT CENTER

☐ RELATIVE, RELATIONSHIP

STREET ADDRESS

CITY

STATE

ZIP

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**APPLICATION FOR BALLOT BY MAIL.**  
(Solicitud Para Recibir Una Boleta Por Correo)

For Official Use Only

VUID: 1053808434  
PCT: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name

Cowgill

Suffix

First Name

Maria ✓

Middle Initial

LISA

ADDRESS AT WHICH VOTER IS REGISTERED (DIRECCION DE RESIDENCIA DE INSCRIPCION COMO VOTANTE)

Street Address

1106 Walnut Ave ✓

City

McAllen

State

TX

ZIP

78501-4034



I am over 65 years of age and requesting an Annual Ballot By Mail to receive a ballot or all elections in 2019, including local elections and the November 2019 General Election.  
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AD-10 12/11 VUILA #, County Election Precinct #, Statement of Residence, etc.

100 21 08 TULO

1 Last Name (Please print information) **CANTU** ✓ Suffix (Jr., Sr., III, etc) **Olga** ✓ Middle Initial **N** ✓  
 2 Residence Address: See back of this application for instructions: **#17 North 16th St.** City **MCALEN** TX ZIP Code **78501** ✓  
 3 Mail my ballot to: If mailing address differs from residence address, please complete Box # 7. City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP Code \_\_\_\_\_

4 Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) (Optional) **08/11/30/1950** ✓  
 5 Reason for Voting by Mail: **65** years of age or older: (Complete Box #6a) ☒ Disability: (Complete Box #6a) ☐ Expected absence from the county: (Complete Box #6b and Box #8) ☐ You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only ☐ Confinement in jail: (Complete Box #6b) ☐ You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only ☐

7 If you are requesting this ballot be mailed to a different address (other than residence), indicate where the ballot will be mailed. See reverse for instructions.  
☐ Mailing Address as listed on my voter registration certificate  
☐ Nursing home, assisted living facility, or long term care facility  
☐ Hospital  
☐ Retirement Center  
☐ Address of the jail  
☐ Relative, relationship \_\_\_\_\_  
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8 If you selected "expected absence from the county," see reverse for instructions  
 Date you can begin to receive mail at this address \_\_\_\_\_ Date of return to residence address \_\_\_\_\_  
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9 Primary Elections: You must declare one political party to vote in a primary:  
☐ May Election  
☐ November Election  
☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Democratic Primary  
☐ Republican Primary  
☐ Any Resulting Runoff  
 Uniform and Other Elections:  
☐ May Election  
☐ November Election  
☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_  
 NOTE: If you fax or e-mail this form, please be aware that you must also mail the form to the early voting clerk within four business days. See "Submitting Application" on the back of this form for additional information.

10 "I certify that the information given in this application is true, and I understand that giving false information in this application is a crime."  
 SIGN HERE **X Olga Norma Cantu** ✓ Date **03-06-2019**  
 If applicant is unable to sign or make a mark in the presence of a witness, the witness shall complete Box #11.

11 See back for Witness and Assistant definitions.  
 If applicant is unable to mark Box #10 and you are acting as a Witness to that fact, please check this box and sign below. ☐  
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Signature of Witness/Assistant **X** \_\_\_\_\_  
 Printed Name of Witness/Assistant \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_  
 Apt Number (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_  
 State \_\_\_\_\_  
 ZIP Code \_\_\_\_\_  
 Witness' Relationship to Applicant \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Refer to Instructions on back for clarification)



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**Application for Ballot by Mail**

Prescribed by the Office of the Secretary of State of Texas, AC-158 (8/15)

For Official Use Only: VUID #, County Election Precinct #, Statement of Residence, etc.

1. Last Name (Please print in full) MARY K. MCKAY Suffix (Jr., Sr., III, etc.) 134(01) 46405 Middle Initial K

2. Residence Address: See back of this application for instructions. 1601 MARIKOLD City MCKAY State TX Zip Code 78501

3. Mail my ballot to: (mailing address differs from residence address, please complete Box #7.)

4. Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) (Optional) 01/22/1935 State TX Zip Code 78501

5. Reason for Voting by Mail: ☒ 65 years of age or older. (Complete Box #5a) ☒ Disability. (Complete Box #5a) ☐ Expected absence from the county. (Complete Box #5b and Box #6) ☐ You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only ☐ Confinement in jail. (Complete Box #5b) ☐ You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only

6a. ONLY Voters 65 Years of Age or Older or Voters with a Disability: If applying for one election, select appropriate box. If applying once for elections in the calendar year, select "Annual Application."

Uniform and Other Elections: ☒ Annual Application ☐ May Election ☐ November Election ☐ Other

Primary Elections: You must declare one political party to vote in a primary: ☒ Democratic Primary ☐ Republican Primary ☐ Any Resulting Runoff

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7. If you are requesting this ballot be mailed to a different address (other than residence), indicate where the ballot will be mailed. See reverse for instructions. ☐ Mailing Address as listed on my voter registration certificate ☐ Nursing home, assisted living facility, or long term care facility ☐ Hospital ☐ Retirement Center ☐ Address of the jail ☒ Relative, relationship ☐ Address outside the county (see Box #8)

8. If you selected "expected absence from the county," see reverse for instructions. Date you can begin to receive mail at this address: 9562275814 Date of return to residence address: 4/17/19

9. Contact Information (Optional): Please list phone number and/or email address: 9562275814 Notice to Voter: Effective September 1, 2015, you may submit a completed, signed and scanned application to the early voting clerk at (early voting clerk's e-mail address):

10. "I certify that the information given in this application is true, and I understand that giving false information in this application is a crime."

SIGN HERE: Mary K. McKay Date 4/17/19

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Melvin Harris Melvin Harris McKay 78501

Signature of Witness (Assistant) Printed Name of Witness/Assistant City Zip

Melvin Harris McKay TX 78501

Signature of Applicant Printed Name of Applicant City State

Witness' Relationship to Applicant (Refer to instructions on back for clarification) Daughter

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AW5-42  
 Prescribed by Secretary of State  
 Sec. 87.0431, Texas Election Code  
 3/07


### NOTICE OF REJECTED BALLOT

This is to serve as notice that your ballot for the June 22, 2019 Election was rejected by the early voting ballot board and was not counted.

Name of Voter Guerrero, Ofelia  
 VOID Number 1052924367

Reason for Rejection: (Check As Appropriate)

- ☐ 1) Certificate on carrier envelope was not properly executed.  
     ☐ You failed to sign your signature or make your mark.  
     ☐ The witness failed to indicate on the envelope that you could not make a mark.  
     ☐ The assistant or witness failed to print their name.  
     ☐ The assistant or witness failed to sign their name.  
     ☐ The residence address of the assistant or witness was not given.
- ☒ 2) It was determined that the signature on the application for ballot by mail and carrier envelope was not signed by the same person.
- ☐ 3) Application for ballot by mail did not state a legal ground for voting by mail.
- ☐ 4) Voter registration records indicated you did not have an effective registration for this election.
- ☐ 5) Address to which ballot was mailed was not outside the county. Voting early by mail due to expected absence from the county requires balloting materials be mailed to an address outside the county.
- ☐ 6) The residence address on the statement of residence is not located in the political subdivision conducting the election.
- ☐ 7) The mailing address on the application for ballot by mail did not match your voter registration address nor did the mailing address match any addresses provided on your statement of residence. Since you did not indicate on your application for a ballot by mail that you were having your ballot mailed to a hospital, retirement center, long term care facility, nursing home, jail, or a relative, your ballot was rejected.
- ☐ 8) The statement of residence was not included in the carrier envelope.
- ☐ 9) No identification was included with your mail ballot.
- ☐ 10) Other:

  
 Signature of Early Voting Ballot Board Judge

June 22, 2019  
 Date

**Guerrero, Ofelia**  
**2223 Date Palm Ave.**  
**McAllen TX 78501-6967**

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 Requerido por el Secretario de Estado  
 Frac. 87.0431, Código Electoral  
 3/07

### AVISO DEL RECHAZO DE UNA PAPELETA ELECTORAL

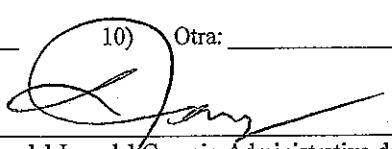
Por medio de éste se le notifica que la papeleta electoral que usted entregó en las elecciones **22 de Junio, 2019** fue rechazada por el Consejo de Votación por Adelantado y no fue incluido en el conteo final.

Nombre del elector \_\_\_\_\_

VOID de inscripción electoral número \_\_\_\_\_

La razón del rechazo fue (a continuación indique las razones):

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1) La constancia que aparece en el sobre de entrega no se firmó en forma apropiada.  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Le falta su firma o marca.  
 \_\_\_\_\_ El testigo no anotó en el sobre que Ud. no puede hacer su marca.  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Falta el nombre del testigo o la persona quien le ayudó en letras de molde.  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Falta la firma del testigo o de la persona quien le ayudó votar.  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Falta el domicilio del testigo o el de la persona quien le ayudó votar.
- ✓ \_\_\_\_\_ 2) Un análisis de las firmas que aparecen en la solicitud de una papeleta postal y el sobre de entrega indica que éstas no son la letra de la misma persona.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3) De acuerdo a la ley, la razón dada en la solicitud de una papeleta postal no lo califica para poder votar por correo.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4) Las actas del registro electoral indican que en la fecha en que celebraron estas elecciones, usted no estaba inscrito como votante.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5) El domicilio al cual se envió la papeleta está ubicado dentro de este condado. Sólo aquellas personas que anticipan estar fuera del condado pueden votar por anticipado y por correo, por esta razón la papeleta electorales se tiene que enviar a un domicilio ubicado fuera del condado.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6) El domicilio indicado en la solicitud de una papeleta postal no queda dentro del área geográfica de la entidad política que efectúa estas elecciones.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7) El domicilio indicado en la solicitud de una papeleta postal no es igual al indicado en: la constancia de domicilio permanente ni su inscripción electoral ni es la dirección postal indicada en su solicitud de inscripción. Además, usted no indicó que su papeleta debería enviarse a un hospital, centro de jubilación, centro de cuidados médicos a largo plazo, centro de enfermería o el hogar de algún familiar.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8) La constancia de domicilio permanente no vino incluida en el sobre de entrega.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 9) No incluyó ninguna identificación con su boleta por correo.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 10) Otra: \_\_\_\_\_

  
 Firma del Juez del Consejo Administrativo de  
 las Papeletas de Votación por Adelantado

**22 de Junio, 2019**

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# APPLICATION FOR BALLOT BY MAIL. (Solicitud Para Recibir Una Boleta Por Correo)

For Official Use Only

VUID: 1052924367

PCT: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name

Guerrero ✓

Suffix

First Name

Ofelia ✓

Middle Initial

G.

ADDRESS AT WHICH VOTER IS REGISTERED (DIRECCION DE RESIDENCIA DE INSCRIPCION COMO VOTANTE)

Street Address

2223 Date Palm Ave ✓

City

McAllen

State

TX

ZIP

78501-6967

☒

I am over 65 years of age and requesting an Annual Ballot By Mail to receive a ballot or all elections in 2019, including local elections and the November 2019 General Election.  
Mail my ballot to the address indicated above (unless noted otherwise below.)

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*X Ofelia Guerrero*

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Check One

☐ NURSING HOME, ASSISTED LIVING OR LONG TERM CARE FACILITY

☐ HOSPITAL

☐ RETIREMENT CENTER

☐ RELATIVE, RELATIONSHIP

STREET ADDRESS

CITY

STATE

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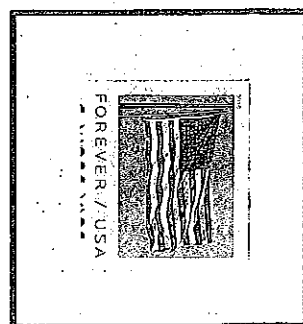
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*Delia R. Moreno*  
2223 Dade Palm  
MacAllen Tex-

*City Secretary's Office*  
*Received*  
*Date 6/3/19*

To Early Voting Clerk  
Perla Lara  
PO Box 220/1300 Houston Ave.  
McAllen, TX 78505-0220



RECEIVED  
JUN 03 2019  
CITY OF MCALEN  
MAIL CENTER

**RETURN YOUR OFFICIAL BALLOT REQUEST TODAY.**

**1**

Sign this personalized  
vote-by-mail ballot request  
Firma tu boleta personalizada  
De votacio por correo

**2**

Detach, fold and seal  
your ballot request  
Despega, dobla y sella tu boleta

**3**

Place a 49 cent stamp on  
your ballot request and  
drop it in the mail today  
Pon un timbre postal de  
49 centavos en tu boleta y envia hoy.

If you have questions or need additional assistance please contact 956-221-0084

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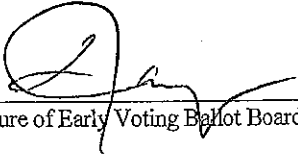
### NOTICE OF REJECTED BALLOT

This is to serve as notice that your ballot for the June 22, 2019 Election was rejected by the early voting ballot board and was not counted.

Name of Voter Alaniz Ana Maria  
 VOID Number 1055312987

Reason for Rejection: (Check As Appropriate)

- ☐ 1) Certificate on carrier envelope was not properly executed.  
     ☐ You failed to sign your signature or make your mark.  
     ☐ The witness failed to indicate on the envelope that you could not make a mark.  
     ☐ The assistant or witness failed to print their name.  
     ☐ The assistant or witness failed to sign their name.  
     ☐ The residence address of the assistant or witness was not given.
- ☒ 2) It was determined that the signature on the application for ballot by mail and carrier envelope was not signed by the same person.
- ☐ 3) Application for ballot by mail did not state a legal ground for voting by mail.
- ☐ 4) Voter registration records indicated you did not have an effective registration for this election.
- ☐ 5) Address to which ballot was mailed was not outside the county. Voting early by mail due to expected absence from the county requires balloting materials be mailed to an address outside the county.
- ☐ 6) The residence address on the statement of residence is not located in the political subdivision conducting the election.
- ☐ 7) The mailing address on the application for ballot by mail did not match your voter registration address nor did the mailing address match any addresses provided on your statement of residence. Since you did not indicate on your application for a ballot by mail that you were having your ballot mailed to a hospital, retirement center, long term care facility, nursing home, jail, or a relative, your ballot was rejected.
- ☐ 8) The statement of residence was not included in the carrier envelope.
- ☐ 9) No identification was included with your mail ballot.
- ☐ 10) Other: \_\_\_\_\_

  
 Signature of Early Voting Ballot Board Judge

June 22, 2019  
 Date

**Alaniz, Ana Maria**  
**412 N. 16th Street**  
**McAllen TX 78501**

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### AVISO DEL RECHAZO DE UNA PAPELETA ELECTORAL

Por medio de éste se le notifica que la papeleta electoral que usted entregó en las elecciones **22 de Junio, 2019** fue rechazada por el Consejo de Votación por Adelantado y no fue incluido en el conteo final.

Nombre del elector Alariz, Ana Maria  
 VUID de inscripción electoral número 1055312987

La razón del rechazo fue (a continuación indique las razones):

- ☐ 1) La constancia que aparece en el sobre de entrega no se firmó en forma apropiada.
  - ☐ Le falta su firma o marca.
  - ☐ El testigo no anotó en el sobre que Ud. no puede hacer su marca.
  - ☐ Falta el nombre del testigo o la persona quien le ayudó en letras de molde.
  - ☐ Falta la firma del testigo o de la persona quien le ayudó votar.
  - ☐ Falta el domicilio del testigo o el de la persona quien le ayudó votar.
- ☒ 2) Un análisis de las firmas que aparecen en la solicitud de una papeleta postal y el sobre de entrega indica que éstas no son la letra de la misma persona.
- ☐ 3) De acuerdo a la ley, la razón dada en la solicitud de una papeleta postal no lo califica para poder votar por correo.
- ☐ 4) Las actas del registro electoral indican que en la fecha en que celebraron estas elecciones, usted no estaba inscrito como votante.
- ☐ 5) El domicilio al cual se envió la papeleta está ubicado dentro de este condado. Sólo aquellas personas que anticipan estar fuera del condado pueden votar por anticipado y por correo, por esta razón la papeleta electorales se tiene que enviar a un domicilio ubicado fuera del condado.
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- ☐ 8) La constancia de domicilio permanente no vino incluida en el sobre de entrega.
- ☐ 9) No incluyó ninguna identificación con su boleta por correo.
- ☐ 10) Otra: \_\_\_\_\_

  
 Firma del Juez del Consejo Administrativo de  
 las Papeletas de Votación por Adelantado

**22 de Junio, 2019**  
 Fecha

Apellido (Escriba con Letra de Molde)		Suño (Jr., Sr., III, etc)		Nombre de pila		Inicial del segundo nombre	
ALANIZ				ANNA MARIA		5	
Domicilio residencial - Véase al dorso de esta solicitud para aclaración.		Ciudad		Estado		Código postal	
412 Monte # 16 Th ST		SAN ANTONIO		TX		75201	
Enviar mi boleta a: Si la dirección postal es diferente de la de su domicilio residencial, favor de completar el Cuadro # 7.		Ciudad		Estado		Código postal	
Fecha de nacimiento: (mm/dd/aaaa) (Opcional) 07/27/1944							
Motivo para votar por correo: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 65 o más años de edad. (Completar Cuadro #6a) <input type="checkbox"/> Minusvalidez. (Completar Cuadro #6a) <input type="checkbox"/> Expectativa de estar fuera del condado. (Completar Cuadro #6b y Cuadro #8) Usted recibirá una boleta solo para la próxima elección. <input type="checkbox"/> Reclusión carcelaria. (Completar Cuadro #6b) <input type="checkbox"/> Usted recibirá una boleta solo para la próxima elección.							
SÓLO los Votantes de 65 años de Edad o Mayores o los Votantes con Minusvalidez: Si solicita una elección, seleccione la casilla apropiada. Si usted está solicitando para todas las elecciones en el año calendario, seleccione "Aplicación Anual." <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aplicación Anual							
Uniforme y otra Elecciones: <input type="checkbox"/> Elección en mayo <input type="checkbox"/> Elección en noviembre <input type="checkbox"/> Otra				Elecciones Primaria: Deberá declarar un solo partido político para votar en una elección primaria: <input type="checkbox"/> Demócrata <input type="checkbox"/> Republicano <input type="checkbox"/> Cualquier elección de desempate			
SÓLO los Votantes Ausente del Condado o Votantes Encarcelados: Usted solo puede solicitar una boleta por correo para una elección, y cualquier elección de desempate resultante. Por favor, seleccione la casilla correspondiente.							
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Véase al dorso para definiciones de Testigo y Asistente. Si el solicitante no puede marcar Cuadro #10 y actúa como Testigo, favor de marcar este cuadro y firme abajo.							
Si usted le ayudó al solicitante a llenar esta aplicación en presencia del solicitante o si envió esta solicitud por correo postal, correo electrónico, o por fax en nombre del solicitante, favor de marcar este cuadro como Asistente y firme abajo.							
* Si usted actúa como Testigo y Asistente, por favor marque ambas casillas. El omitir esta información es un delito menor Clase A si acaso la firma se atestigüó o si el solicitante recibió ayuda para llenar esta solicitud.							
Firma del Testigo/Asistente. Dirección Estado Número de apartamento (si aplica) Código postal							
Nombre completo del Testigo/Asistente en letra de molde. Ciudad Código postal							
Parentesco entre el/la Solicitante y su Testigo (Vea las instrucciones atrás para una aclaración)							



**Instrucciones Para Solicitar la Boleta Postal**

**Dirección residencial (Domicilio)** - Indique la dirección completa que aparece en su certificado de inscripción electoral. Si se ha mudado dentro del mismo condado sin haber avisado todavía al/a la registrador(a) de votantes de su nueva dirección, indique su nueva dirección residencial.

**Enviar boleta a** - Dé la dirección completa donde usted desea tener la boleta enviada, si la dirección es diferente a la de su domicilio.

**Enviar boleta a una dirección distinta** - Su boleta deberá enviarse a la casa donde vive o a la dirección postal que aparece en su certificado de inscripción electoral. Existen algunas excepciones que permiten enviar su boleta a una ubicación diferente, tal como se especifica a continuación.

Motivo para votar por correo	Lugar a donde enviar boleta
65 ó minusválido	Asilo de ancianos, centro de cuidado de largo plazo, centro de jubilación, pariente, hospital
Encarcelado/a	Dirección de cárcel o pariente
Ausencia del condado	Dirección fuera del condado

**Expectativa de estar fuera del condado** - Si escogió 'expectativa de estar fuera del condado', deberá anticipar estar ausente del condado el día de elección y durante las horas de votación anticipada en persona o para el resto del período de votación anticipada después de entregar su solicitud. Su boleta será enviada a una dirección fuera del condado. Importante: Favor de dar la fecha en que puede recibir correspondencia en la dirección indicada.

**Aplicación Anual** - Si usted tiene 65 años de edad o más, o está discapacitado, puede solicitar para recibir las boletas por correo durante un año calendario. Si no selecciona ninguna elección en el cuadro 6, su solicitud se considerará una Aplicación Anual.

Usted entrega una aplicación anual para boletas por correo, podremos enviar su solicitud a otras entidades y celebrar elecciones en las que usted califica como votante. Esto significa que usted podrá recibir una boleta para esas elecciones además de recibir la(s) boleta(s) que solicitó con esta aplicación.

**Someter su Solicitud**

**Firmar y fechar su solicitud** - Si no puede firmar, por favor vaya a Cuadro de Testigo/Dirección (11 al reverso) y tenga una persona ser testigo de su marca. Instrucciones de Testigo/Asistente siguen más abajo.

**Entregar al Secretario(a) de Votación Anticipada** - Usted puede enviar su solicitud a través de estos métodos:

**Persona:** Solo el solicitante puede presentar su solicitud en persona al Secretario(a) de Votación Anticipada hasta que comience el período de votación anticipada. Sin embargo, después que el período de votación anticipada comience para una elección, el solicitante solo podrá presentar su solicitud por correo, por transportista contratado común, o por correo electrónico.

**Correo:** Usted puede enviar su solicitud por medio del Servicio Postal de los EE.UU.

**Transportista Contratado Común:** Usted puede enviar su solicitud a través de un transportista común contratado, que es de buena fe, con fines de lucro.

**Fax:** Usted puede enviar su solicitud por fax al Secretario(a) de Votación Anticipada. Por favor, llámese en contacto con su Secretario(a) de Votación Anticipada o la oficina del Secretario de Estado a los números de fax.

**Correo Electrónico:** Usted puede enviar una imagen escaneada de su aplicación por correo electrónico al Secretario(a) de Votación Anticipada. Por favor comuníquese con su Secretario(a) de Votación Anticipada o la Oficina de el Secretario de Estado para las direcciones de correo electrónico.

**JUSTED ENVÍA POR FAX O POR CORREO ELECTRÓNICO SU SOLICITUD AL SECRETARIO(A) DE VOTACIÓN ANTICIPADA, USTED DEBE TAMBIÉN ENVIAR LA SOLICITUD POR CORREO PARA QUE EL SECRETARIO(A) LO RECIBA NO MÁS TARDE DE EL CUARTO DÍA HÁBIL DESPUÉS DEL DÍA EN QUE EL SECRETARIO(A) RECIBIÓ SU SOLICITUD POR FAX O POR CORREO ELECTRÓNICO.** Si usted envía su solicitud por fax o por correo electrónico por la fecha límite indicada a continuación, su solicitud será considerada completa y oportuna siempre y cuando el original sea recibido por el secretario de votación anticipada por el cuarto día hábil después de que enviado por fax o correo electrónico.

**Fecha Límite:** Su solicitud debe ser recibida por el Secretario(a) de Votación Anticipada de la ciudad local que celebra la elección a más tardar el 11° día antes del día de elección. Si el 11° día es un día festivo, es el primer día hábil anterior. Usted puede presentar una solicitud a través del calendario, a partir del 1 de enero. Por favor, recuerde que la solicitud debe ser recibida a más tardar 11° día antes de la primera elección en la que desea votar por correo.

Entrega una Aplicación Anual para Boleta por Correo dentro de los 60 días antes de una elección que celebre en el año calendario entrante, su solicitud será válida para cualquier elección que se lleva a cabo en el siguiente año calendario. Esto se aplica sólo a las Aplicaciones Anuales y no a una solicitud para boletas por correo.

**Instrucciones para Testigos y Asistentes**

**Testigo:** Si no puede firmar su nombre (debido a su minusvalidez física o analfabetismo), entonces el testigo deberá firmar la solicitud de parte de usted en el cuadro 11. Usted deberá poner su marca a la solicitud en la cuadro 10 o, si no puede hacerlo, entonces el Testigo deberá marcar el cuadro correspondiente de el cuadro 11 indicando que el votante no puede poner su marca. El Testigo deberá escribir su nombre en letra de molde e indicar su parentesco con usted, o si no es pariente suyo/a, que le pare que no lo es. El Testigo deberá firmar y dar su nombre y dirección residencial en letra de molde. Los testigos que el Testigo sea pariente próximo/a del/de la votante (padre/madre, abuelo/a, esposo/a, hijo/a, hermano/a), es un delito menor de Clase B el que una persona atestigüe más de una sola solicitud de boleta postal.

**Asistente:** Si una persona (aparte de ser pariente próximo/a o persona inscrita para votar con la misma dirección del votante) le ayuda a completar esta solicitud en su presencia o la envía o manda por fax o correo electrónico de parte de usted, tal persona deberá marcar el cuadro 11. El Asistente deberá escribir su nombre y dirección residencial en letra de molde. Es un delito menor de Clase A el que un asistente deje de proporcionar la información descrita arriba a menos que sea un pariente cercano o un pariente inscrito para votar con la misma residencia del votante.

Para otras preguntas o para más asistencia, por favor comuníquese con el Secretario(a) de Votación Anticipada o la oficina del Secretario de Estado al 1-800-252-8683 o [www.sos.state.tx.us](http://www.sos.state.tx.us)

FROM:

Cma M Alen

412 Ppate #16

Macallen TX 78501

AFFIX LABEL HERE OR ADDRESS

TO: EARLY VOTING CLERK

Pera Lara

P.O. Box 220/1300 Houston Ave

McAllen Texas 78505-0220



Date 3-6-19

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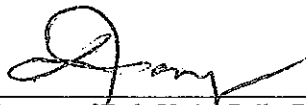
### NOTICE OF REJECTED BALLOT

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Name of Voter Zapata, Adela  
 VOID Number 1053744584

Reason for Rejection: (Check As Appropriate)

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     ☐ The residence address of the assistant or witness was not given.
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- ☐ 4) Voter registration records indicated you did not have an effective registration for this election.
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- ☐ 9) No identification was included with your mail ballot.
- ☐ 10) Other:

  
 Signature of Early Voting Ballot Board Judge

June 22, 2019  
 Date

**Zapata, Adela**  
**2010 Galveston Ave.**  
**McAllen TX 78501-7121**

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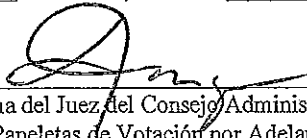
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Nombre del elector Zapata, Adela  
 VUID de inscripción electoral número 1053744584

La razón del rechazo fue (a continuación indique las razones):

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- \_\_\_\_\_ 8) La constancia de domicilio permanente no vino incluida en el sobre de entrega.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 9) No incluyó ninguna identificación con su boleta por correo.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 10) Otra: \_\_\_\_\_

  
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**22 de Junio, 2019**

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# APPLICATION FOR BALLOT BY MAIL

## (Solicitud Para Recibir Una Boleta Por Correo)

For Official Use Only

 VUID: 1053744584  
 PCT:

Last Name

Zapata

Suffix

First Name

Adela

Middle Initial

ADDRESS AT WHICH VOTER IS REGISTERED (DIRECCION DE RESIDENCIA DE INSCRIPCION COMO VOTANTE)

Street Address

2010 Galveston Ave

City

McAllen

State

TX

ZIP

78501-7121

☒ I am over 65 years of age and requesting an Annual Ballot By Mail to receive a ballot or all elections in 2019, including local elections and the November 2019 General Election.  
 Mail my ballot to the address indicated above (unless noted otherwise below.)

→ X Adela Zapata

Signature of applicant. I certify that the information given in this application is true and I understand that giving false information in this application is a crime. Certifico que la informacion que se proporciona mediante esta solicitud es cierta y entiendo que es delito dar informacion falsa

OPTIONAL: IF YOU ARE NOT ABLE TO RECEIVE YOUR BALLOT AT YOUR REGISTRATION ADDRESS (ABOVE), YOU MAY HAVE YOUR BALLOT MAILED TO AN ALTERNATE ADDRESS

Check One: ☐ NURSING HOME, ASSISTED LIVING OR LONG TERM CARE FACILITY

of these ☐ HOSPITAL

4 choices: ☐ RETIREMENT CENTER

☐ RELATIVE, RELATIONSHIP

STREET ADDRESS

CITY

STATE

ZIP

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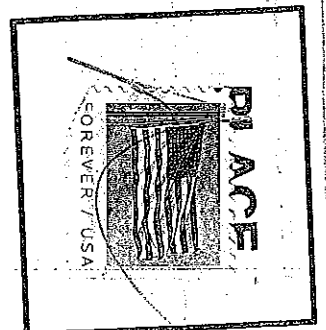
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CITY OF MCALLEN  
MAIL CENTER

78501

To Early Voting Clerk  
Perla Lara  
PO Box 220/1300 Houston Ave.  
McAllen, TX 78505-0220

City Secretary's Office  
Date 6/5/19  
Received



RETURN YOUR OFFICIAL BALLOT REQUEST TODAY.

1

Sign this personalized  
vote-by-mail ballot request  
Firma tu boleta personalizada  
De votacio por correo

2

Detach, fold and seal  
your ballot request  
Despega, dobla y sella tu boleta

3

Place a 49 cent stamp on  
your ballot request and  
drop it in the mail today  
Pon un timbre postal de  
49 centavos en tu boleta y envia hoy.

If you have questions or need additional assistance, please contact 956-221-0084

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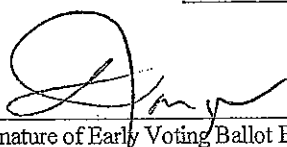
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Name of Voter Goolsby, Julia B.  
 VOID Number 1206430689

Reason for Rejection: (Check As Appropriate)

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 Signature of Early Voting Ballot Board Judge

June 22, 2019  
 Date

**Goolsby, Julia B.**  
**Calle del Doctor Esquerdo, 128 6H**  
**Madrid Spain 28007**

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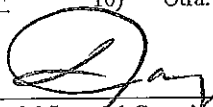
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Nombre del elector Goolsby, Julia B.  
 VUID de inscripción electoral número 1206430689

La razón del rechazo fue (a continuación indique las razones):

- ☐ 1) La constancia que aparece en el sobre de entrega no se firmó en forma apropiada.
  - ☐ Le falta su firma o marca.
  - ☐ El testigo no anotó en el sobre que Ud. no puede hacer su marca.
  - ☐ Falta el nombre del testigo o la persona quien le ayudó en letras de molde.
  - ☐ Falta la firma del testigo o de la persona quien le ayudó votar.
  - ☐ Falta el domicilio del testigo o el de la persona quien le ayudó votar.
- ☒ 2) Un análisis de las firmas que aparecen en la solicitud de una papeleta postal y el sobre de entrega indica que éstas no son la letra de la misma persona.
- ☐ 3) De acuerdo a la ley, la razón dada en la solicitud de una papeleta postal no lo califica para poder votar por correo.
- ☐ 4) Las actas del registro electoral indican que en la fecha en que celebraron estas elecciones, usted no estaba inscrito como votante.
- ☐ 5) El domicilio al cual se envió la papeleta está ubicado dentro de este condado. Sólo aquellas personas que anticipan estar fuera del condado pueden votar por anticipado y por correo, por esta razón la papeleta electorales se tiene que enviar a un domicilio ubicado fuera del condado.
- ☐ 6) El domicilio indicado en la solicitud de una papeleta postal no queda dentro del área geográfica de la entidad política que efectúa estas elecciones.
- ☐ 7) El domicilio indicado en la solicitud de una papeleta postal no es igual al indicado en: la constancia de domicilio permanente ni su inscripción electoral ni es la dirección postal indicada en su solicitud de inscripción. Además, usted no indicó que su papeleta debería enviarse a un hospital, centro de jubilación, centro de cuidados médicos a largo plazo, centro de enfermería o el hogar de algún familiar.
- ☐ 8) La constancia de domicilio permanente no vino incluida en el sobre de entrega.
- ☐ 9) No incluyó ninguna identificación con su boleta por correo.
- ☐ 10) Otra: \_\_\_\_\_

  
 Firma del Juez del Consejo Administrativo de  
 las Papeletas de Votación por Adelantado

**22 de Junio, 2019**  
 Fecha



## Application for Ballot by Mail

Prescribed by the Office of the Secretary of State or Texas  
 VUID # County Election Precinct #  
 A5-15 12/17 Statement of Residence, etc.

1206430689

1 Last Name (Please print information) GOOLSBY ✓ Suffix (Jr., Sr., III, etc.) JULIA ✓ First Name JULIA ✓ Middle Initial B ✓

2 Residence Address: See back of this application for instructions. 1600 HIPSEUS AVE ✓ City MCALLEN ✓ TX ZIP Code 78501 ✓

3 Mail my ballot to: If mailing address differs from residence address, please complete Box #7. JULIA GOOLSBY, CALLE DEL DOCTOR ESQUERDO, 128 6A ✓ City MADRID State SPAIN ZIP Code 28007

4 Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) (Optional) 08/03/1996 ✓

Contact Information (Optional)\*  
 Please list phone number and/or email address:  
 \* Used in case our office has questions.

5 Reason for Voting by Mail:

☐ 65 years of age or older. (Complete Box #6a)

☐ Disability. (Complete Box #6a)

☒ Expected absence from the county. (Complete Box #6b and Box #8)  
 You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only

☐ Confinement in jail. (Complete Box #6b)  
 You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only

7 If you are requesting this ballot be mailed to a different address (other than residence), indicate where the ballot will be mailed. See reverse for instructions.

☐ Mailing Address as listed on my voter registration certificate

☐ Nursing home, assisted living facility, or long term care facility

☐ Hospital

☐ Retirement Center

☐ Address of the jail

☐ Relative; relationship \_\_\_\_\_

☒ Address outside the county (see Box #8)

6a ONLY Voters 65 Years of Age or Older or Voters with a Disability:  
 If applying for one election, select appropriate box.  
 If applying once for elections in the calendar year, select "Annual Application."

☐ Annual Application

Uniform and Other Elections:

☒ May Election

☐ November Election

☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Elections:  
 You must declare one political party to vote in a primary:

☐ Democratic Primary

☐ Republican Primary

☒ Any Resulting Runoff

8 If you selected "expected absence from the county," see reverse for instructions

Date you can begin to receive mail at this address 03/01/2019 — 08/05/2019 ✓

Date of return to residence address 08/05/2019 ✓

9 Voters may submit a completed, signed, and scanned application to the Early Voting Clerk at:

(early voting clerk's e-mail address) \_\_\_\_\_ (early voting clerk's fax) \_\_\_\_\_

10 "I certify that the information given in this application is true, and I understand that giving false information in this application is a crime."

SIGN HERE X Julia Goolbsy ✓ Date Mar 22 2019

If applicant is unable to sign or make a mark in the presence of a witness, the witness shall complete Box #11.

11 See back for Witness and Assistant definitions.

If applicant is unable to mark Box #10 and you are acting as a Witness to that fact, please check this box and sign below. ☐

If you assisted the applicant in completing this application in the applicant's presence or e-mailed/mailed or faxed the application on behalf of the applicant, please check this box as an Assistant and sign below. ☐

\* If you are acting as Witness and Assistant, please check both boxes. Failure to complete this information is a Class A misdemeanor if signature was witnessed or applicant was assisted in completing the application.

☒ Signature of Witness /Assistant

☒ Printed Name of Witness/Assistant

\_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Apt Number (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ ZIP Code \_\_\_\_\_

Witness' Relationship to Applicant  
 (Refer to Instructions on back for clarification)

\_\_\_\_\_

**Instructions for Application for Ballot by Mail**

**Residence Address** - Give full address as shown on your voter registration certificate. If you have moved within the county but not yet changed your voter registration address with the voter registrar, indicate your new residence address.

**Mail Ballot To** - Give full address where you wish to have ballot mailed, if the address is different from your residence address.

**Mailing Ballot to a Different Address** - Your ballot must be mailed to your home where you live or to your mailing address on your voter registration certificate. There are some exceptions that allow you to have your ballot mailed to a different location as specified below.

Reason for voting by mail	Location to mail ballot
65 or disabled	Nursing home, assisted living/retirement center, relative, hospital
In jail	Address of jail or relative
Absent from county	Address located outside of county

**Expected Absence from County** - If you chose expected absence from county, you must expect to be absent from the county on election day and during the hours of early voting in person or for the remainder of the early voting period after you submit your application. **Your ballot must be mailed to an address outside the county.** Important: Give date you can begin to receive mail at the address given.

**Annual Application** - If you are 65 years of age or older, or disabled you may apply to receive all ballots by mail for a calendar year. If you do not select any elections in Box 6a, your application will be considered an Annual Application. If you submit an annual application for a ballot by mail, your application may be forwarded to other entities holding elections where you are a qualified voter. This means that you may receive a ballot for those elections in addition to the ballot(s) you requested with this application.

**Submitting Application**

**1. Sign and date your application** - If unable to sign, please go to Witness/Address boxes (11 on reverse) and have a person witness your mark. Witness/Assistant instructions follow below.

**2. Deliver to Early Voting Clerk** - You may submit your application via these methods:

**In Person:** Only the applicant may submit their application in person to the Early Voting Clerk until the early voting period begins. However, after the early voting period begins for an election, the applicant may only submit their application via mail, common contract carrier, fax, or e-mail.

**By Mail:** You may mail your application via the U.S. Postal Service.

**By Common Contract Carrier:** You may submit via a common or contract carrier which is a bona fide, for profit carrier.

**By Fax:** You may fax your application to the Early Voting Clerk. Please contact your Early Voting Clerk or the Secretary of State's Office for fax numbers.

**By E-Mail:** You may e-mail a signed, scanned image of your application to the Early Voting Clerk. Please contact your Early Voting Clerk or the Secretary of State's Office for e-mail addresses.

**IF YOU FAX OR E-MAIL YOUR APPLICATION TO THE EARLY VOTING CLERK, YOU MUST ALSO MAIL THE APPLICATION SO THAT THE CLERK RECEIVES IT NO LATER THAN THE FOURTH BUSINESS DAY AFTER THE DAY THE CLERK RECEIVED YOUR FAXED OR EMAILED APPLICATION.** If you fax or e-mail your application by the deadline noted below, your application will be considered complete and timely as long as the original is received by the early voting clerk by the fourth business day after it was submitted by fax or e-mail.

**Deadline**

Your application must be received by the early voting clerk of the local entity conducting the election not later than the 11th day before election day. If the 11th day is a weekend or holiday, the deadline is the first preceding business day. You may submit an application throughout the calendar year, beginning January 1. Please remember that the application must be received not later than the 11th day before the first election in which you seek to vote by mail.

If you submit an Annual Application for Ballot by Mail within 60 days before an election that takes place in the following calendar year, your application will be valid for any election that takes place in the following calendar year, regardless of the fact that your application was submitted prior to the end of the preceding calendar year. This applies to Annual Applications only and not to a regular application for ballot by mail.

**Witness/Assistant Section**

**Witness:** If you are unable to sign your name (due to a physical disability or illiteracy), the application may be signed at Box #11 for you by a Witness. You must affix your mark to the application in Box #10 or, if you are unable to make a mark, then the Witness must check the appropriate box in 11 indicating the inability to make a mark. The Witness must state his/her name in printed form and indicate his/her relationship to you or, if unrelated, state that fact. The Witness must sign and provide his or her printed name and residence address. Unless the Witness is a close relative of the voter (parent, grandparent, spouse, child or sibling), it is a Class B misdemeanor for a person to witness more than one application for ballot by mail.

**Assistant:** If a person (other than a close relative or person registered to vote at the same address) assists you in completing this application in your presence or mails/faxes/e-mails this application on your behalf, then that person must complete Box #11. The Assistant must sign, provide his or her printed name, and his or her residence address. A person commits a Class A misdemeanor if the person provides assistance without providing the information described above unless a close relative or registered at your address.

**you have further questions or need additional assistance, please contact our Early Voting Clerk or The Secretary of State's office at 1-800-252-8683**

www.sos.state.tx.us

FROM:

COULSBY  
11000 HIBISCUS AVE  
MCALLEN, TX 78501

AFFIX LABEL HERE OR ADDRESS

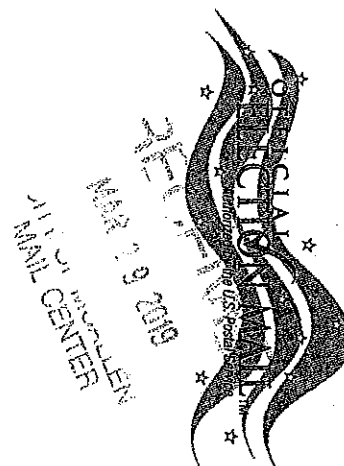
TO: EARLY VOTING CLERK

PAMELA LARA

P.O. BOX 220

MCALLEN, TX 78505

City Secretary's Office  
March 29/19



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MAIL CENTER



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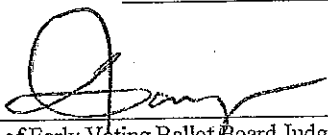
# NOTICE OF REJECTED BALLOT

This is to serve as notice that your ballot for the June 22, 2019 Election was rejected by the early voting ballot board and was not counted.

Name of Voter MARIA C. RODRIGUEZ  
 VUID Number 1102678506

Reason for Rejection: (Check As Appropriate)

- ☐ 1) Certificate on carrier envelope was not properly executed.  
☐ You failed to sign your signature or make your mark.  
☐ The witness failed to indicate on the envelope that you could not make a mark.  
☐ The assistant or witness failed to print their name.  
☐ The assistant or witness failed to sign their name.  
☐ The residence address of the assistant or witness was not given.
- ☒ 2) It was determined that the signature on the application for ballot by mail and carrier envelope was not signed by the same person.
- ☐ 3) Application for ballot by mail did not state a legal ground for voting by mail.
- ☐ 4) Voter registration records indicated you did not have an effective registration for this election.
- ☐ 5) Address to which ballot was mailed was not outside the county. Voting early by mail due to expected absence from the county requires balloting materials be mailed to an address outside the county.
- ☐ 6) The residence address on the statement of residence is not located in the political subdivision conducting the election.
- ☐ 7) The mailing address on the application for ballot by mail did not match your voter registration address nor did the mailing address match any addresses provided on your statement of residence. Since you did not indicate on your application for a ballot by mail that you were having your ballot mailed to a hospital, retirement center, long term care facility, nursing home, jail, or a relative, your ballot was rejected.
- ☐ 8) The statement of residence was not included in the carrier envelope.
- ☐ 9) No identification was included with your mail ballot.
- ☐ 10) Other:

  
 Signature of Early Voting Ballot Board Judge

June 22, 2019  
 Date

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 Requerido por el Secretario de Estado  
 Frac. 87.0431, Código Electoral  
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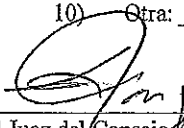
### AVISO DEL RECHAZO DE UNA PAPELETA ELECTORAL

Por medio de éste se le notifica que la papeleta electoral que usted entregó en las elecciones **22 de Junio, 2019** fue rechazada por el Consejo de Votación por Adelantado y no fue incluido en el conteo final.

Nombre del elector MARIA C. RODRIGUEZ  
 VUID de inscripción electoral número 1102678506

La razón del rechazo fue (a continuación indique las razones):

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1) La constancia que aparece en el sobre de entrega no se firmó en forma apropiada.  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Le falta su firma o marca.  
 \_\_\_\_\_ El testigo no anotó en el sobre que Ud. no puede hacer su marca.  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Falta el nombre del testigo o la persona quien le ayudó en letras de molde.  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Falta la firma del testigo o de la persona quien le ayudó votar.  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Falta el domicilio del testigo o el de la persona quien le ayudó votar.
- ✓ \_\_\_\_\_ 2) Un análisis de las firmas que aparecen en la solicitud de una papeleta postal y el sobre de entrega indica que éstas no son la letra de la misma persona.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3) De acuerdo a la ley, la razón dada en la solicitud de una papeleta postal no lo califica para poder votar por correo.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4) Las actas del registro electoral indican que en la fecha en que celebraron estas elecciones, usted no estaba inscrito como votante.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5) El domicilio al cual se envió la papeleta está ubicado dentro de este condado. Sólo aquellas personas que anticipan estar fuera del condado pueden votar por anticipado y por correo, por esta razón la papeleta electorales se tiene que enviar a un domicilio ubicado fuera del condado.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6) El domicilio indicado en la solicitud de una papeleta postal no queda dentro del área geográfica de la entidad política que efectúa estas elecciones.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7) El domicilio indicado en la solicitud de una papeleta postal no es igual al indicado en: la constancia de domicilio permanente ni su inscripción electoral ni es la dirección postal indicada en su solicitud de inscripción. Además, usted no indicó que su papeleta debería enviarse a un hospital, centro de jubilación, centro de cuidados médicos a largo plazo, centro de enfermería o el hogar de algún familiar.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8) La constancia de domicilio permanente no vino incluida en el sobre de entrega.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 9) No incluyó ninguna identificación con su boleta por correo.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 10) Otra: \_\_\_\_\_

  
 Firma del Juez del Consejo Administrativo de  
 las Papeletas de Votación por Adelantado

**22 de Junio, 2019**

Fecha

**Application for Early Voting by Mail**

AD-19 12/11

YOUR NAME, COUNTY ELECTION PARTICIPANT, STATEMENT OF RESIDENCE, ETC.

11-2-2020

1 Last Name (Please print information) Rodriguez ✓

2 Residence Address: See back of this application for instructions. 2245 Orange St ✓

3 Mail my ballot to: If mailing address differs from residence address, please complete Box #7.

4 Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) (Optional) 4/9/1945 ✓

5 Reason for Voting by Mail:

☐ 65 years of age or older. (Complete Box #6a)

☒ Disability. (Complete Box #6a)

☐ Expected absence from the county. (Complete Box #6b and Box #8)

☐ You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only

☐ Confinement in jail. (Complete Box #6b)

☐ You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only

6a ONLY Voters 65 Years of Age or Older or Voters with a Disability:  
If applying for one election, select appropriate box.  
If applying for one or more elections in the calendar year, select "Annual Application."

☒ Annual Application

Uniform and Other Elections:

☐ May Election

☐ November Election

☐ Other

Primary Elections:  
You must declare one political party to vote in a primary:

☐ Democratic Primary

☐ Republican Primary

☒ Any Resulting Runoff

6b ONLY Voters Absent from County or Voters Confined in Jail:  
You may only apply for a ballot by mail for one election, and any resulting runoff.  
Please select the appropriate box.

Uniform and Other Elections:

☐ May Election

☐ November Election

☐ Other

Primary Elections:  
You must declare one political party to vote in a primary:

☐ Democratic Primary

☐ Republican Primary

☐ Any Resulting Runoff

11 See back for Witness and Assistant definitions.  
If applicant is unable to mark Box #10 and you are acting as a Witness to that fact, please check this box and sign below. ☐

\* If you assisted the applicant in completing this application in the applicant's presence or e-mailed/faxed the application on behalf of the applicant, please check this box as an Assistant and sign below.

\* If you are acting as Witness and Assistant, please check both boxes. Failure to complete this information is a Class A misdemeanor if signature was witnessed or applicant was assisted in completing the application.

Signature of Witness/Assistant X

Printed Name of Witness/Assistant X

City San Antonio

State TX

Street Address 2245 Orange St

Apt Number (if applicable)

ZIP Code 78201

Witness' Relationship to Applicant (Refer to Instructions on back for clarification)

10 I certify that the information given in this application is true, and I understand that giving false information in this application is a crime.

Signature X Maria Rodriguez

Date

9 Voters may submit a completed, signed, and scanned application to the Early Voting Clerk at: plara@mcallen.net (956) 681-1029 (early voting clerk's fax)

NOTE: If you fax or e-mail this form, please be aware that you must also mail the form to the early voting clerk within four business days. See "Submitting Application" on the back of this form for additional information.

8 If you selected "expected absence from the county," see reverse for instructions

Date you can begin to receive mail at this address

Date of return to residence address

7 If you are requesting this ballot be mailed to a different address (other than residence), indicate where the ballot will be mailed. See reverse for instructions.

☐ Mailing Address as listed on my voter registration certificate

☐ Nursing home, assisted living facility, or long term care facility

☐ Hospital

☐ Retirement Center

☐ Address of the jail

☐ Relative; relationship

☐ Address outside the county (see Box #8)

Contact Information (Optional)  
Please list phone number and/or email address:  
\* Used in case our office has questions.

First Name Maria E. Mary

Suffix (Jr., Sr., III, etc)

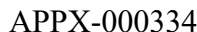
City McAllen

State TX

ZIP Code 78501

Middle Initial

Este formulario está disponible en Español. Para conseguir la versión en Español favor de llamar sin cargo al 1.800.252.8683 a la oficina del Secretario de Estado o la Secretaría de Votación por Adelantado.



FROM: Maria Rodriguez City Secretary's Office  
2245 Orange  
M=H/ev TX 78501  
Received  
6/11/19

Date 11/11/09

**AFFIX LABEL HERE OR ADDRESS**

TO: EARLY VOTING CLERK

PERLA LARA

P.O. BOX 220/1300 Houston Ave.  
McAllen Texas 78505-0220

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CITY OF MCALLEN  
MAIL CENTER

## Instructions for Application for Ballot by Mail

**Residence Address -** Give full address as shown on your voter registration certificate. If you have moved within the county but not yet changed your voter registration address with the voter registrar, indicate your new residence address.

Mail Ballot To - Give full address where you wish to have ballot mailed, if the address is different from your residence address.

Mailing Ballot to a Different Address - Your ballot must be mailed to your home where you live or to your mailing address on your voter registration certificate. There are some exceptions that allow you to have your ballot mailed to a different location as specified below.

Reason for voting by mail	Location of mail ballot
65 or disabled	Nursing home, assisted living/reirement center, relative, hospital
In jail	Address of jail or relative
Absent from county	Address located outside of county

Expected absence from County - If you don't expect absence from county, you must expect to be absent from the county on election day and during the hours of early voting in person or for the remainder of the early voting period after you submit your application. Your ballot must be mailed to an address outside the county. Important! Give date you can begin to receive mail at the address given.

Annual Application - If you are 65 years of age or older, or disabled you may apply to receive all ballots by mail for a calendar year. If you do not select any elections in Box 6a, your application will be considered an Annual Application. If you submit an annual application for a ballot by mail, your application may be forwarded to other entities holding elections where you are a qualified voter. This means that you may receive a ballot for those elections in addition to the ballot(s) you requested with this application.

## Submitting Application

on reverse) and have a person witness your mark. Witness/Assistant instructions follow below.

the applicant may only submit their application via mail, common contract carrier, fax, or e-mail. By Mail: You may mail your application via the U.S. Postal Service.

By Fax: You may fax your application to the Early Voting Clerk. Please contact your Early Voting Clerk or the Secretary of State's Office for fax numbers.

By E-Mail: You may e-mail a signed, scanned copy of your application to the Early Voting Clerk.

IF YOU FAX OR E-MAIL YOUR APPLICATION TO THE EARLY VOTING CLERK, YOU MUST

ALSO MAIL THE APPLICATION SO THAT THE CLERK RECEIVES IT NO LATER THAN THE FOURTH BUSINESS DAY AFTER THE DAY THE CLERK RECEIVED YOUR

**FAXED OR EMAILED APPLICATION.** If you fax or e-mail your application by the deadline noted below, your application will be considered complete and timely as long as

the original is received by the early voting clerk by the fourth business day after it was

Deadline

Your application must be received by the early voting clerk of the local entity conducting the election not later than the 11th day before election day. If the 11th day is a weekend or holiday,

the deadline is the first preceding business day. You may submit an application throughout the

later than the 11th day before the first election in which you seek to vote by mail.

If you submit an Annual Application for Ballot by Mail within 60 days before an election that takes

place in the following calendar year, your application will be valid for any election that takes place

to the end of the preceding calendar year. This applies to Annual Applications only and not to a

**Witness/Assistant Section**

Witness: If you are unable to sign your name (due to a physical disability or injury), an application may be signed at Box #11 for you by a Witness. You must affix your mark to the

application in Box #10 or, if you are unable to make a mark, then the witness must check the appropriate box in 11 indicating the inability to make a mark. The witness must state his/her

name in printed form and indicate his/her relationship to you or, if unrelated, state that fact.

Witness is a close relative of the voter (parent, grandparent, spouse, child or sibling), it is a class

B. Misdeemeanor for a person to witness more than one application for debt by him;

Assistant: If a person (other than a close relative or person registered to vote at the same address) assists you in completing this application in your presence, email/faxes/e-mails this

application on your behalf, then that person must complete Box #11. The Assistant must sign

A misdemeanor if the person provides assistance without providing the information described

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If you have further questions or need additional resources, please contact your Early Voting Clerk or The Secretary of State's office at 1-800-252-8666.

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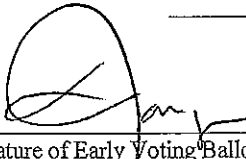
### NOTICE OF REJECTED BALLOT

This is to serve as notice that your ballot for the June 22, 2019 Election was rejected by the early voting ballot board and was not counted.

Name of Voter Emry, Verles E.  
 VOID Number 1053303961

Reason for Rejection: (Check As Appropriate)

- ☐ 1) Certificate on carrier envelope was not properly executed.  
     ☐ You failed to sign your signature or make your mark.  
     ☐ The witness failed to indicate on the envelope that you could not make a mark.  
     ☐ The assistant or witness failed to print their name.  
     ☐ The assistant or witness failed to sign their name.  
     ☐ The residence address of the assistant or witness was not given.
- ☒ 2) It was determined that the signature on the application for ballot by mail and carrier envelope was not signed by the same person.
- ☐ 3) Application for ballot by mail did not state a legal ground for voting by mail.
- ☐ 4) Voter registration records indicated you did not have an effective registration for this election.
- ☐ 5) Address to which ballot was mailed was not outside the county. Voting early by mail due to expected absence from the county requires balloting materials be mailed to an address outside the county.
- ☐ 6) The residence address on the statement of residence is not located in the political subdivision conducting the election.
- ☐ 7) The mailing address on the application for ballot by mail did not match your voter registration address nor did the mailing address match any addresses provided on your statement of residence. Since you did not indicate on your application for a ballot by mail that you were having your ballot mailed to a hospital, retirement center, long term care facility, nursing home, jail, or a relative, your ballot was rejected.
- ☐ 8) The statement of residence was not included in the carrier envelope.
- ☐ 9) No identification was included with your mail ballot.
- ☐ 10) Other: \_\_\_\_\_

  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature of Early Voting Ballot Board Judge

June 22, 2019  
 Date

**Emry, Verles E.**  
**3816 N. 9th Ct. Apt. 1**  
**McAllen TX 78501-1727**



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 Requerido por el Secretario de Estado  
 Frac. 87.0431, Código Electoral  
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### AVISO DEL RECHAZO DE UNA PAPELETA ELECTORAL

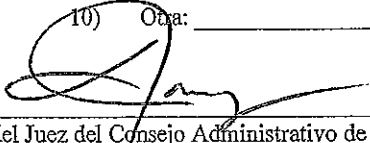
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Nombre del elector Emry, Verles E.  
 VUID de inscripción electoral número 1053303961

La razón del rechazo fue (a continuación indique las razones):

- ☐ 1) La constancia que aparece en el sobre de entrega no se firmó en forma apropiada.
  - ☐ Le falta su firma o marca.
  - ☐ El testigo no anotó en el sobre que Ud. no puede hacer su marca.
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  - ☐ Falta la firma del testigo o de la persona quien le ayudó votar.
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☐ 10) Otra: \_\_\_\_\_

  
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**APPLICATION FOR BALLOT BY MAIL.**  
(Solicitud Para Recibir Una Boleta Por Correo)

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VUID: 1053303961 PCT: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name

Emry ✓

Suffix

First Name

Verles ✓

Middle Initial

E ✓

ADDRESS AT WHICH VOTER IS REGISTERED (DIRECCION DE RESIDENCIA DE INSCRIPCION COMO VOTANTE)

Street Address

3816 N 9th Ct Apt 1 ✓

City

McAllen

State

TX

ZIP

78501-1727

I am over 65 years of age and requesting an Annual Ballot By Mail to receive a ballot or all elections in 2019, including local elections and the November 2019 General Election.

Mail my ballot to the address indicated above (unless noted otherwise below.)

Signature of applicant. I certify that the information given in this application is true and I understand that giving false information in this application is a crime. Certifico que la información que se proporciona mediante esta solicitud es cierta y entiendo que es delito dar información falsa.

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of these ☐ HOSPITAL

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Veres Emily  
2019  
3816 N 9th Ct Apt. 1  
McAllen, TX 78501-1727

City & County's Office  
received  
Date 6/3/19

To Early Voting Clerk  
Perla Lara  
PO Box 220/1300 Houston Ave.  
McAllen, TX 78505-0220

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RETURN YOUR OFFICIAL BALLOT REQUEST TODAY.

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Sign this personalized  
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Firma tu boleta personalizada  
De votacio por correo

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Despega, dobla y sella tu boleta

3

Place a 49 cent stamp on  
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drop it in the mail today  
Pon un timbre postal de  
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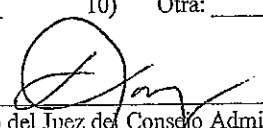
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Nombre del elector Weisfeld, Rosalie  
 VUID de inscripción electoral número 1054678350

La razón del rechazo fue (a continuación indique las razones):

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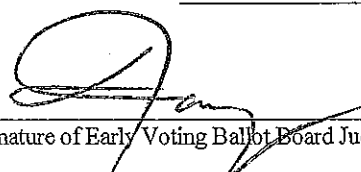
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Name of Voter Weisfeld, Rosalie  
 VOID Number 1054678350

Reason for Rejection: (Check As Appropriate)

- ☐ 1) Certificate on carrier envelope was not properly executed.  
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- ☐ 9) No identification was included with your mail ballot.
- ☐ 10) Other: \_\_\_\_\_

  
 Signature of Early Voting Ballot Board Judge

June 22, 2019  
 Date

**Weisfeld, Rosalie**  
**9206 Cliffwood Drive**  
**Houston TX 77096**



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## Application for Ballot by Mail

Prescribed by the Office of the Secretary of State of Texas  
Voter ID #, County Election Precinct #,  
Statement of Residence, etc.

1. Last Name (Please print information)	First Name	Middle Initial
Weisfeld	Rosalie	
2. Residence Address: See back of this application for instructions.	City	ZIP Code
1801 North 16th Street	McAllen	78504
3. Mail my ballot to: If mailing address differs from residence address, please complete Box #7.	City	State
9306 Clittwood Drive	Houston	TX
4. Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) (Optional)	ZIP Code	
06/16/1956	77096	

Contact Information (Optional)  
Please list phone number and/or email address:  
\* Used in case our office has questions.956.793-5814  
rosalie.weisfeld@gmail.com

## Reason for Voting by Mail:

- ☐ 65 years of age or older. (Complete Box #6a)
- ☐ Disability. (Complete Box #6a)
- ☒ Expected absence from the county. (Complete Box #6b and Box #8)
- ☐ You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only
- ☐ Confinement in jail. (Complete Box #6b)
- ☐ You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only

ONLY Voters 65 Years of Age or Older or Voters with a Disability:  
If applying for one election, select appropriate box.  
If applying once for elections in the calendar year, select "Annual Application."

Annual Application

## Uniform and Other Elections:

- ☐ May Election
- ☐ November Election
- ☐ Other

Primary Elections:  
You must declare one political party to vote in a primary:

- ☐ Democratic Primary
- ☐ Republican Primary
- ☐ Any Resulting Runoff

## ONLY Voters Absent from County or Voters Confined in Jail:

You may only apply for a ballot by mail for one election, and any resulting runoff.  
Please select the appropriate box.

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## See back for Witness and Assistant definitions.

If applicant is unable to mark Box #10 and you are acting as a Witness to that fact, please check this box and sign below.

If you assisted the applicant in completing this application in the applicant's presence or e-mailed/mailed or faxed the application on behalf of the applicant, please check this box as an Assistant and sign below.

\* If you are acting as Witness and Assistant, please check both boxes. Failure to complete this information is a Class A misdemeanor. If signature was witnessed or applicant was assisted in completing the application.

☒ Signature of Witness /Assistant

Printed Name of Witness/Assistant

Street Address

Apt Number (if applicable)

State

ZIP Code

Witness' Relationship to Applicant  
(Refer to Instructions on back for clarification)

24/01/2019 - 05/10/2019

Date you can begin to receive mail at this address

Date of return to residence address

Voters may submit a completed, signed, and scanned application to the Early Voting Clerk at:

(early voting clerk's e-mail address)

(early voting clerk's fax)

NOTE: If you fax or e-mail this form, please be aware that you must also mail the form to the early voting clerk within four business days. See "Submitting Application" on the back of this form for additional information.

I certify that the information given in this application is true, and I understand that giving false information in this application is a crime.

☒ Rosalie Weisfeld

Date 3/27/2019

SIGN HERE

If applicant is unable to sign or make a mark in the presence of a witness, the witness shall complete Box #11.

If someone helped you to complete this form or mails the form for you, then that person must complete the sections below.

Este formulario está disponible en Español. Para conseguir la versión en Español favor de llamar sin cargo al 1.800.252.9883 a la oficina del Secretario de Estado o la Secretaría de Votación por Adelantado.

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FROM: Rosalie Weisfeld  
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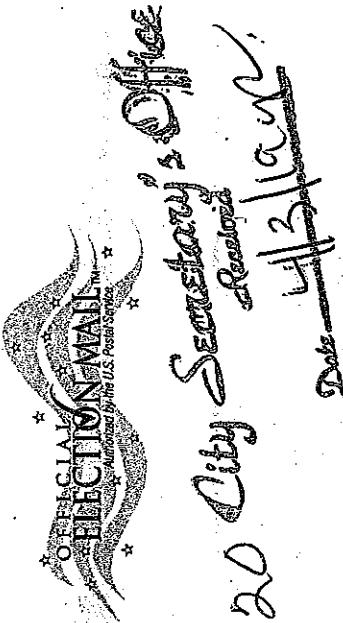
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TO: EARLY VOTING CLERK, Perta Lara

P.O. Box 220

McAllen, Texas 78505-0220



Secretary's Office

Received

City

Date 4/3/20

### Instructions for Application for Ballot by Mail

**Residence Address** - Give full address as shown on your voter registration certificate. If you have moved within the county but not yet changed your voter registration address with the voter registrar, indicate your new residence address.

**Mail Ballot To** - Give full address where you wish to have ballot mailed, if the address is different from your residence address.

**Mailing Ballot to a Different Address** - Your ballot must be mailed to your home where you live or to your mailing address on your voter registration certificate. There are some exceptions that allow you to have your ballot mailed to a different location as specified below.

Reason for voting by mail	Location to mail ballot
65 or disabled	Nursing home, assisted living/retirement center, relative, hospital
In jail	Address of jail or relative
Absent from county	Address located outside of county

**Annual Application** - If you are 65 years of age or older, or disabled you may apply to receive all ballots by mail for a calendar year. If you do not select any elections in Box 6a, your application will be considered an Annual Application. If you submit an annual application for a ballot by mail, your application may be forwarded to other entities holding elections where you are a qualified voter. This means that you may receive a ballot for those elections in addition to the ballot(s) you requested with this application.

**Submitting Application** - If unable to sign, please go to Witness/Assistant boxes (11 on reverse) and have a person witness your mark. Witness/Assistant instructions follow below.

**2. Deliver to Early Voting Clerk** - You may submit your application via these methods:  
 In Person: Only the applicant may submit their application in person to the Early Voting Clerk until the early voting period begins. However, after the early voting period begins for an election, the applicant may only submit their application via mail, common contract carrier, fax, or e-mail.

**By Mail:** You may mail your application via the U.S. Postal Service.  
**By Common Contract Carrier:** You may submit via a common or contract carrier which is a bona fide, for profit carrier.  
**By Fax:** You may fax your application to the Early Voting Clerk. Please contact your Early Voting Clerk or the Secretary of State's Office for fax numbers.

**By E-Mail:** You may e-mail a signed, scanned image of your application to the Early Voting Clerk. Please contact your Early Voting Clerk or the Secretary of State's Office for e-mail addresses. IF YOU FAX OR E-MAIL YOUR APPLICATION TO THE EARLY VOTING CLERK, YOU MUST ALSO MAIL THE APPLICATION SO THAT THE CLERK RECEIVES IT NO LATER THAN THE FOURTH BUSINESS DAY AFTER THE DAY THE CLERK RECEIVED YOUR FAXED OR E-MAILED APPLICATION. If you fax or e-mail your application by the deadline noted below, your application will be considered complete and timely as long as the original is received by the early voting clerk by the fourth business day after it was submitted by fax or e-mail.

**Deadline**  
 Your application must be received by the early voting clerk of the local entity conducting the election not later than the 11th day before election day. If the 11th day is a weekend or holiday, the deadline is the first preceding business day. You may submit an application throughout the calendar year, beginning January 1. Please remember that the application must be received not later than the 11th day before the first election in which you seek to vote by mail.

If you submit an Annual Application for Ballot by Mail within 60 days before an election that takes place in the following calendar year, your application will be valid for any election that takes place in the following calendar year, regardless of the fact that your application was submitted prior to the end of the preceding calendar year. This applies to Annual Applications only and not to a regular application for ballot by mail.

**Witness/Assistant Section**  
**Witness:** If you are unable to sign your name (due to a physical disability or illiteracy), the application may be signed at Box #11 for you by a Witness. You must affix your mark to the appropriate box in 11 indicating the inability to make a mark. The Witness must state his/her name in printed form and indicate his/her relationship to you or, if unrelated, state that fact. The Witness must sign and provide his or her printed name and residence address. Unless the Witness is a close relative of the voter (parent, grandparent, spouse, child or sibling), it is a Class B misdemeanor for a person to witness more than one application for ballot by mail.

**Assistant:** If a person (other than a close relative or person registered to vote at the same address) assists you in completing this application in your presence or mails/faxes/e-mails this application on your behalf, then that person must complete Box #11. The Assistant must sign, provide his or her printed name, and his or her residence address. A person commits a Class A misdemeanor if the person provides assistance without providing the information described above unless a close relative or registered at your address.

If you have further questions or need additional assistance, please contact your Early Voting Clerk or the Secretary of State's Office at 1-800-252-8683 or www.sos.state.tx.us

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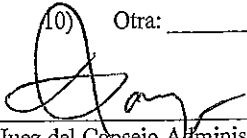
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Nombre del elector Rosas, Jesus  
 VUID de inscripción electoral número 1053907380

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**Rosas, Jesus Lucio**  
**315 N. 22nd Street**  
**McAllen TX 78501-6930**

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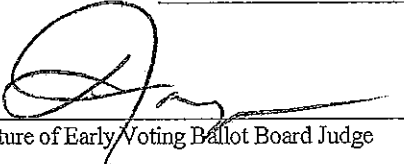
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This is to serve as notice that your ballot for the June 22, 2019 Election was rejected by the early voting ballot board and was not counted.

Name of Voter Rosas, Jesus  
 VUID Number 1053902380

Reason for Rejection: (Check As Appropriate)

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- ☐ 10) Other:

  
 Signature of Early Voting Ballot Board Judge

June 22, 2019

Date

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# APPLICATION FOR BALLOT BY MAIL

## (Solicitud Para Recibir Una Boleta Por Correo)

For Official Use Only

VUID: 1053907380  
PCT: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name

Rosas ✓

Suffix

First Name

Jesus ✓

Middle Initial

Lucio

ADDRESS AT WHICH VOTER IS REGISTERED (DIRECCION DE RESIDENCIA DE INSCRIPCION COMO VOTANTE)

Street Address

315 N 22nd St ✓

City

McAllen

State

TX

ZIP

78501-6930

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I am over 65 years of age and requesting an Annual Ballot By Mail to receive a ballot or all elections in 2019, including local elections and the November 2019 General Election.  
Mail my ballot to the address indicated above (unless noted otherwise below.)

Signature of applicant: *X* *Jesus Rosas* ✓

I certify that the information given in this application is true and I understand that giving false information in this application is a crime. Certifico que la informacion que se proporciona mediante esta solicitud es cierta y entiendo que es delito dar informacion falsa.

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Check One

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☐ HOSPITAL

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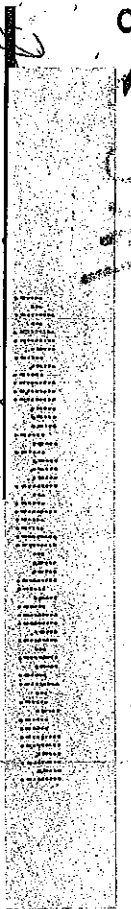
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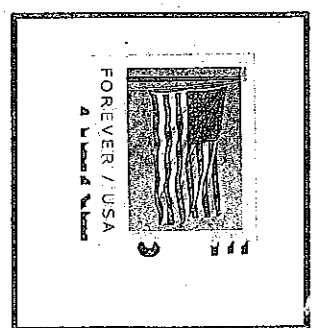


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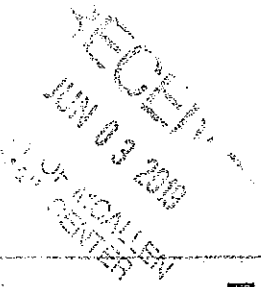
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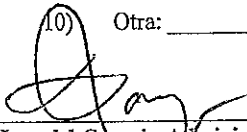
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Nombre del elector Rosas, Jesus  
 VUID de inscripción electoral número 1053907380

La razón del rechazo fue (a continuación indique las razones):

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\_\_\_\_\_ 10) Otra: \_\_\_\_\_

  
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**Rosas, Jesus Lucio**  
**315 N. 22nd Street**  
**McAllen TX 78501-6930**

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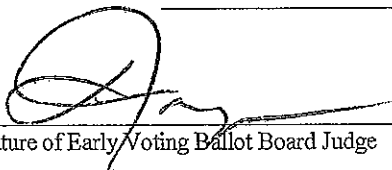
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Name of Voter Rosas Jesus  
 VOID Number 1053902380

Reason for Rejection: (Check As Appropriate)

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- ☐ 8) The statement of residence was not included in the carrier envelope.
- ☐ 9) No identification was included with your mail ballot.
- ☐ 10) Other:

  
 Signature of Early Voting Ballot Board Judge

June 22, 2019  
 Date



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**APPLICATION FOR BALLOT BY MAIL**  
(Solicitud Para Recibir Una Boleta Por Correo)

For Official Use Only

VOID: 1053907380  
PCT: 105

Last Name

Rosas

Suffix

First Name

Jesus

Middle Initial

Lucio

ADDRESS AT WHICH VOTER IS REGISTERED (DIRECCION DE RESIDENCIA DE INSCRIPCION COMO VOTANTE)

Street Address

315 N 22nd St

City

McAllen

State

TX

ZIP

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☒ I am over 65 years of age and requesting an Annual Ballot By Mail to receive a ballot or all elections in 2019, including local elections and the November 2019 General Election.

Mail my ballot to the address indicated above (unless noted otherwise below.)

Signature of applicant: *[Signature]*

I certify that the information given in this application is true and I understand that giving false information in this application is a crime. Certifico que la informacion que se proporciona mediante esta solicitud es cierta y entiendo que es delito dar informacion falsa.

OPTIONAL: IF YOU ARE NOT ABLE TO RECEIVE YOUR BALLOT AT YOUR REGISTRATION ADDRESS (ABOVE), YOU MAY HAVE YOUR BALLOT MAILED TO AN ALTERNATE ADDRESS

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☐ NURSING HOME, ASSISTED LIVING OR LONG TERM CARE FACILITY

☐ HOSPITAL

☐ RETIREMENT CENTER

☐ RELATIVE, RELATIONSHIP

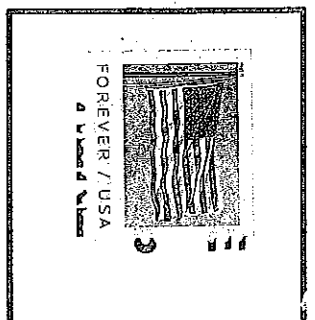
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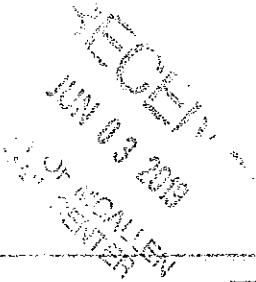
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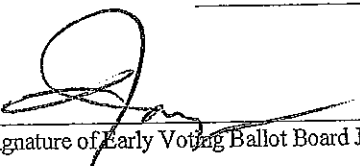
# NOTICE OF REJECTED BALLOT

This is to serve as notice that your ballot for the June 22, 2019 Election was rejected by the early voting ballot board and was not counted.

Name of Voter Guerrero, Maria G.  
 VUID Number 1054297743

Reason for Rejection: (Check As Appropriate)

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  - ☐ The assistant or witness failed to sign their name.
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- ☐ 9) No identification was included with your mail ballot.
- ☐ 10) Other:

  
 Signature of Early Voting Ballot Board Judge

June 22, 2019  
 Date

**Guerrero, Maria G.**  
**2223 Date Palm Ave.**  
**McAllen TX 78501**

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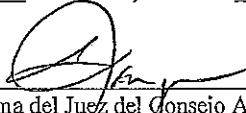
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Nombre del elector Guerreiro, Maria G.  
 VUID de inscripción electoral número 1054297743

La razón del rechazo fue (a continuación indique las razones):

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**Application for Ballot by Mail**

Prescribed by the Office of the Secretary of State of Texas  
VUID # County Election Precinct #  
Statement of Residence, etc.

1 Last Name (Please print information) **Guerrero** Suffix (Jr., Sr., III, etc) **Mania** First Name **Mania** Middle Initial **G**

2 Residence Address: See back of this application for instructions. **2223 Date Palm Ave** City **McAllen** State **TX** ZIP Code **78501**

3 Mail my ballot to: If mailing address differs from residence address, please complete Box #7.

4 Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) (Optional) **04/17/1954**

5 Reason for Voting by Mail:  
☒ 65 years of age or older. (Complete Box #6a)  
☐ Disability. (Complete Box #6a)  
☐ Expected absence from the county. (Complete Box #6b and Box #8)  
☐ You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only.  
☐ Confinement in jail. (Complete Box #6b)  
☐ You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only.

6a ONLY Voters 65 Years of Age or Older or Voters with a Disability:  
 If applying for one election, select appropriate box.  
 If applying once for elections in the calendar year, select "Annual Application."  
☒ Annual Application  
☐ Uniform and Other Elections:  
☐ May Election  
☐ November Election  
☒ Other Runoff  
☐ Primary Elections:  
☐ You must declare one political party to vote in a primary:  
☒ Democratic Primary  
☐ Republican Primary  
☐ Any Resulting Runoff

6b ONLY Voters Absent from County or Voters Confined in Jail:  
 You may only apply for a ballot by mail for one election, and any resulting runoff.  
 Please select the appropriate box.  
☐ Uniform and Other Elections:  
☐ May Election  
☐ November Election  
☐ Other  
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7 If you are requesting this ballot be mailed to a different address (other than residence), indicate where the ballot will be mailed. See reverse for instructions.  
☐ Mailing Address as listed on my voter registration certificate  
☐ Nursing home, assisted living facility, or long term care facility  
☐ Hospital  
☐ Retirement Center  
☐ Address of the jail  
☐ Relative; relationship  
☐ Address outside the county (see Box #8)

8 If you selected "expected absence from the county," see reverse for instructions.  
 Date you can begin to receive mail at this address: **04/17/1954**  
 Date of return to residence address: **06-01-19**

9 Voters may submit a completed, signed, and scanned application to the Early Voting Clerk at:  
**plara@mcallen.net** (956) 681-1029 (early voting clerk's fax)  
 NOTE: If you fax or e-mail this form, please be aware that you must also mail the form to the early voting clerk within four business days. See "Submitting Application" on the back of this form for additional information.

10 "I certify that the information given in this application is true, and I understand that giving false information in this application is a crime."

**X** **Mania Guerrero** Date **06-01-19**

**SIGN HERE**  
 If applicant is unable to sign or make a mark in the presence of a witness, the witness shall complete Box #11.

See back for Witness and Assistant definitions.  
 If applicant is unable to mark Box #10 and you are acting as a Witness to that fact, please check this box and sign below. ☐  
 If you assisted the applicant in completing this application in the applicant's presence or e-mailed/mailed or faxed the application on behalf of the applicant, please check this box as an Assistant and sign below. ☒  
 \*If you are acting as Witness and Assistant, please check both boxes. Failure to complete this information is a Class A misdemeanor if signature was witnessed or applicant was assisted in completing the application.

Signature of Witness/Assistant **X** **Eva Guerrero**  
 Printed Name of Witness/Assistant **MISSION**  
 City **MISSION**  
 State **TX**  
 Street Address **3012 Cambell Drive**  
 Apt Number (if applicable)  
 ZIP Code **78573**

Witness' Relationship to Applicant (Refer to instructions on back for clarification)  
**Wife**

Este formulario está disponible en Español. Para conseguir la versión en Español favor de llamar sin cargo al 1.800.252.8683 a la oficina del Secretario de Estado o la Secretaría de Votación por Adelantado.

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2223 Date Palm

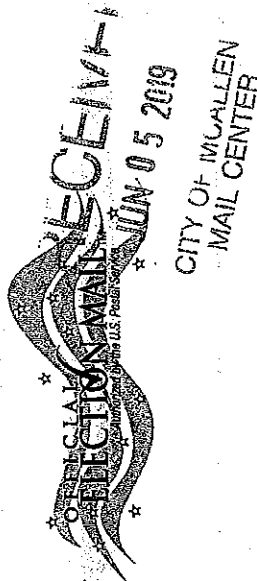
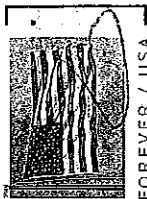
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## Instructions for Application for Ballot by Mail

**Residence Address** - Give full address as shown on your voter registration certificate. If you have moved within the county but not yet changed your voter registration address with the voter registrar, indicate your new residence address.

**Mail Ballot To** - Give full address where you wish to have ballot mailed, if the address is different from your residence address.

**Mailing Ballot to a Different Address** - Your ballot must be mailed to your home where you live or to your mailing address on your voter registration certificate. There are some exceptions that allow you to have your ballot mailed to a different location as specified below.

Reason for voting by mail	Location to mail ballot
65 or disabled	Nursing home, assisted living, retirement center, relative, hospital
In jail	Address of jail or relative
Absent from county	Address located outside of county

**Expected Absence from County** - If you chose expected absence from county, you must expect to be absent from the county on election day and during the hours of early voting in person or for the remainder of the early voting period after you submit your application. Your ballot must be mailed to an address outside the county. Important: Give date you can begin to receive mail at the address given.

**Annual Application** - If you are 65 years of age or older, or disabled you may apply to receive all ballots by mail for a calendar year. If you do not select any elections in Box 6a, your application will be considered an Annual Application. If you submit an annual application for a ballot by mail, your application may be forwarded to other entities holding elections where you are a qualified voter. This means that you may receive a ballot for those elections in addition to the ballot(s) you requested with this application.

## Submitting Application

1. Sign and date your application - If unable to sign, please go to Witness/Assistant boxes (11 on reverse) and have a person witness your mark. Witness/Assistant instructions follow below.

2. Deliver to Early Voting Clerk - You may submit your application via these methods:

**In Person:** Only the applicant may submit their application in person to the Early Voting Clerk until the early voting period begins. However, after the early voting period begins for an election, the applicant may only submit their application via mail, common contract carrier, fax, or e-mail.

**By Mail:** You may mail your application via the U.S. Postal Service.

**By Common Contract Carrier:** You may submit via a common or contract carrier which is a bona fide, for profit carrier.

**By Fax:** You may fax your application to the Early Voting Clerk. Please contact your Early Voting Clerk, or the Secretary of State's Office for fax numbers.

**By E-Mail:** You may e-mail a signed, scanned image of your application to the Early Voting Clerk. Please contact your Early Voting Clerk or the Secretary of State's Office for e-mail addresses.

**If you FAX OR E-MAIL YOUR APPLICATION TO THE EARLY VOTING CLERK, YOU MUST ALSO MAIL THE APPLICATION SO THAT THE CLERK RECEIVES IT NO LATER THAN THE FOURTH BUSINESS DAY AFTER THE DAY THE CLERK RECEIVED YOUR FAXED OR E-MAILED APPLICATION.** If you fax or e-mail your application by the deadline noted below, your application will be considered complete and timely as long as the original is received by the early voting clerk by the fourth business day after it was submitted by fax or e-mail.

## Deadline

Your application must be received by the early voting clerk of the local entity conducting the election not later than the 11th day before election day. If the 11th day is a weekend or holiday, the deadline is the first preceding business day. You may submit an application throughout the calendar year. Beginning January 1, please remember that the application must be received not later than the 11th day before the first election in which you seek to vote by mail.

If you submit an Annual Application for Ballot by Mail within 60 days before an election that takes place in the following calendar year, your application will be valid for any election that takes place in the following calendar year, regardless of the fact that your application was submitted prior to the end of the preceding calendar year. This applies to Annual Applications only and not to a regular application for ballot by mail.

## Witness/Assistant Section

**Witness:** If you are unable to sign your name (due to a physical disability or illiteracy), the application may be signed at Box #11 for you by a Witness. You must affix your mark to the application in Box #10 or, if you are unable to make a mark, then the Witness must check the appropriate box in 11 indicating the inability to make a mark. The Witness must state his/her name in printed form and indicate his/her relationship to you or, if unrelated, state that fact. The Witness is a close relative of the voter (parent, grandparent, spouse, child or sibling). It is a Class B misdemeanor for a person to witness more than one application for ballot by mail.

**Assistant:** If a person (other than a close relative or person registered to vote at the same address) assists you in completing this application in your presence or makes/makes-out this application on your behalf, then that person must complete Box #11. The Assistant must sign, provide his or her printed name, and his or her residence address. A person commits a Class B misdemeanor if the person provides assistance without providing the information described above unless a close relative or registered at your address.

If you have further questions or need additional assistance, please contact your Early Voting Clerk or the Secretary of State's Office at 1-800-252-8683 or [www.sos.state.tx.us](http://www.sos.state.tx.us).

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Name of Voter MARINA REYNA  
 VUID Number 1053084263

Reason for Rejection: (Check As Appropriate)

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SIGNATURE did NOT MATCH.

  
 Signature of Early Voting Ballot Board Judge

June 22, 2019  
 Date

**Reyna, Maria**  
**1916 Fir Ave.**  
**McAllen TX 78501-6978**

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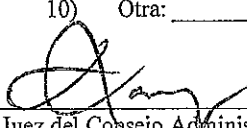
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**22 de Junio, 2019**

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# APPLICATION FOR BALLOT BY MAIL (Solicitud Para Recibir Una Boleta Por Correo)

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VUID: PCT: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name

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First Name

Maria

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de Jesus

ADDRESS AT WHICH VOTER IS REGISTERED (DIRECCION DE RESIDENCIADE INSCRIPCION COMO VOTANTE)

Street Address

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State

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ZIP

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*Maria de Jesus*

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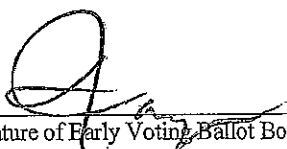
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Name of Voter Doris Smith  
 VOID Number 1053536581

Reason for Rejection: (Check As Appropriate)

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 Signature of Early Voting Ballot Board Judge

June 22, 2019  
 Date

**Smith, Doris**  
**1517 Whitewin Ave.**  
**McAllen TX 78501-3136**

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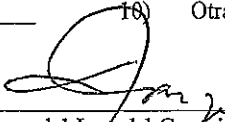
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First Name

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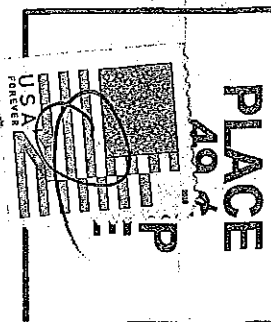
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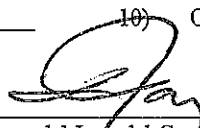
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VUID de inscripción electoral número \_\_\_\_\_

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**Guzman, Leobardo**  
**2200 W. Jackson Ave.**  
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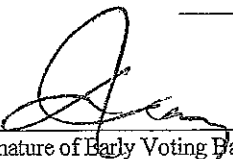
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Name of Voter Leobardo Guzman  
 VUID Number 1055270874

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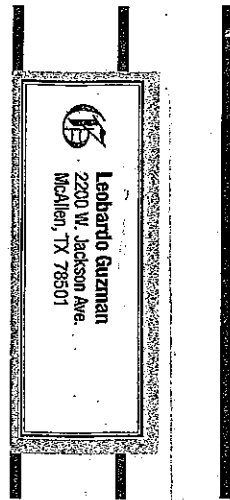
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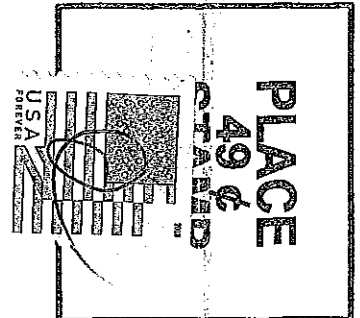
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Nombre del elector MARIANA LUNA  
 VUID de inscripción electoral número 1053314843

La razón del rechazo fue (a continuación indique las razones):

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Name of Voter MARIANA LUNA  
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June 22, 2019  
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**Luna, Mariana**  
**2064 Lindberg Cir**  
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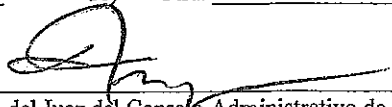
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Nombre del elector ARTHUR EMRY  
 VUID de inscripción electoral número 1053303942

La razón del rechazo fue (a continuación indique las razones):

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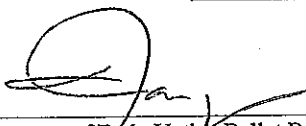
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Name of Voter ARTHUR EMRY  
 VOID Number 1053303942

Reason for Rejection: (Check As Appropriate)

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June 22, 2019  
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**Emry, Arthur**  
**3816 N. 9th Ct. Apt. 1**  
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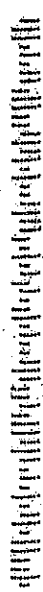
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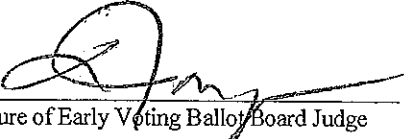
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Name of Voter JOSE GUERRERO  
 VUID Number 1054193310

Reason for Rejection: (Check As Appropriate)

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 Signature of Early Voting Ballot Board Judge

June 22, 2019  
 Date

**Guerrero, Jose**  
**2223 Date Palm Ave.**  
**McAllen TX 78501-6967**

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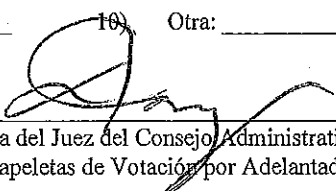
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Nombre del elector JOSE GUERRERO  
 VUID de inscripción electoral número 1054193310

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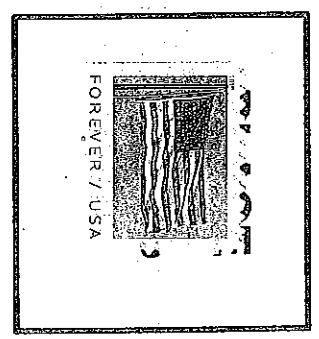
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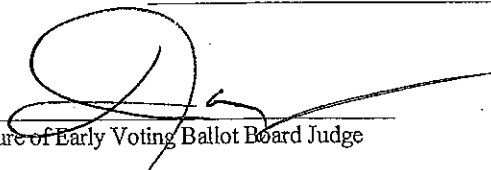
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Name of Voter Marcut, Alexander  
 VUID Number 1209227012

Reason for Rejection: (Check As Appropriate)

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Ballot was received after the election day.

  
 Signature of Early Voting Ballot Board Judge

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Nombre del elector **Marcut, Alexander**  
 VUID de inscripción electoral número **1209227012**

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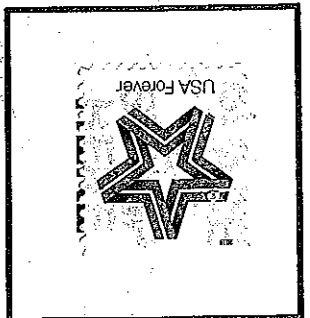
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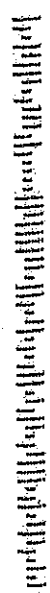
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RETURN YOUR OFFICIAL BALLOT REQUEST TODAY.

1

Sign this personalized  
vote-by-mail ballot request  
Firma tu boleta personalizada  
De votacio por correo

2

Detach, fold and seal  
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Despega, dobla y sella tu boleta

3

Place a 49 cent stamp on  
your ballot request and  
drop it in the mail today  
Pon un timbre postal de  
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If you have any questions regarding your application, please contact me at **(956) 681-1020**

(Phone Number)

*[Signature]*  
 Early Voting Clerk



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# APPLICATION FOR BALLOT BY MAIL (Solicitud Para Recibir Una Boleta Por Correo)

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PCT: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name

Ramirez ✓

Suffix

First Name

Maria ✓

Middle Initial

Hilda

ADDRESS AT WHICH VOTER IS REGISTERED (DIRECCION DE RESIDENCIA DE INSCRIPCION COMO VOTANTE)

Street Address

2021 Gumwood Ave ✓

City

McAllen

State

TX

ZIP

78501-6882



I am over 65 years of age and requesting an Annual Ballot By Mail to receive a ballot or all elections in 2019, including local elections and the November 2019 General Election.  
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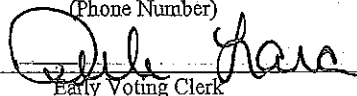
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(Phone Number)

  
 Early Voting Clerk

Liscano, Jose H.  
 2741 Gumwood Ave.  
 McAllen TX 78501

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**Application for Ballot by Mail**

Prescribed by the Office of the Secretary of State of Texas  
VUID #: County Election Precinct #, Statement of Residence, etc.

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1 Last Name (Please print information) Liscano ✓  
First Name Jose ✓  
Middle Initial H

2 Residence Address: See back of this application for instructions.  
2741 Gumwood Ave  
City McAllen State TX ZIP Code 78501

3 Mail my ballot to: If mailing address differs from residence address, please complete Box # 7.

4 Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) (Optional)  
07/14/1953 ✓

5 Reason for Voting by Mail:  
☒ 65 years of age or older. (Complete Box #6a)  
☐ Disability. (Complete Box #6a)  
☐ Expected absence from the county. (Complete Box #6b and Box #2)  
☐ You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only  
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6a ONLY Voters 65 Years of Age or Older or Voters with a Disability:  
If applying for one election, select appropriate box.  
If applying once for elections in the calendar year, select "Annual Application."  
☐ Annual Application  
☐ Uniform and Other Elections:  
☐ May Election  
☐ November Election  
☒ Other Runoff  
☐ Any Resulting Runoff

6b ONLY Voters Absent from County or Voters Confined in Jail:  
You may only apply for a ballot by mail for one election, and any resulting runoff.  
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☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_  
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7 If you are requesting this ballot be mailed to a different address (other than residence), indicate where the ballot will be mailed. See reverse for instructions.  
☐ Mailing Address as listed on my voter registration certificate  
☐ Address of the jail  
☐ Nursing home, assisted living facility, or long term care facility  
☐ Relative: relationship \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Hospital  
☐ Address outside the county (see Box #6)  
☐ Retirement Center

8 If you selected "expected absence from the county," see reverse for instructions  
☐ Date you can begin to receive mail at this address  
☐ Date of return to residence address  
☐ Voters may submit a completed, signed, and scanned application to the Early Voting Clerk at:  
plara@mcallen.net (956) 681-1029  
 (early voting clerk's fax)  
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9 "I certify that the information given in this application is true, and I understand that giving false information in this application is a crime."  
☒ SIGN HERE  
 If applicant is unable to sign or make a mark in the presence of a witness, the witness shall complete Box #11.

10 See back for Witness and Assistant definitions.  
 If applicant is unable to mark Box #10 and you are acting as a Witness to that fact, please check this box and sign below. ☐  
 If you assisted the applicant in completing this application in the applicant's presence or e-mailed/mailed or faxed the application on behalf of the applicant, please check this box as an Assistant and sign below. ☐  
 \*If you are acting as Witness and Assistant, please check both boxes. Failure to complete this information is a Class A misdemeanor if signature was witnessed or applicant was assisted in completing the application.

Signature of Witness/Assistant \_\_\_\_\_  
 Printed Name of Witness/Assistant: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_  
 State \_\_\_\_\_  
 ZIP Code \_\_\_\_\_

Witness' Relationship to Applicant  
 (Refer to Instructions on back for clarification)

Date 6-4-2019

Este formulario está disponible en Español. Para conseguir la versión en Español favor de llamar sin cargo al 1.800.252.8683 a la oficina del Secretario de Estado o la Secretaría de Votación por Adelantado.

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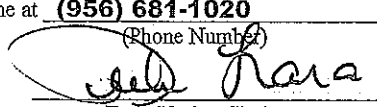
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(Phone Number)

  
 Early Voting Clerk

Salinas, Estela  
 P O Box 720626  
 McAllen TX 78504-0626

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**APPLICATION FOR BALLOT BY MAIL**  
(Solicitud Para Recibir Una Boleta Por Correo)

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VUID: 1052963704 PCT: A

Last Name Salinas ✓		Suffix		First Name Estela ✓		Middle Initial	
ADDRESS AT WHICH VOTER IS REGISTERED (DIRECCION DE RESIDENCIA DE INSCRIPCION COMO VOTANTE)							
Street Address PO Box 720626 ✓							
City McAllen		State TX		ZIP 78504-0626		12/10/1939	
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(Marcar las que apliquen)

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Sin embargo, ya que usted indico en la solicitud que su solicitud es una solicitud anual para votar por correo, la solicitud se considerará válida para las otras elecciones que sucedan este año y para las cuales su solicitud fue enviada antes de la fecha límite.
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- ☒ 6. No firmó su solicitud.
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☐ (c) proporciono su nombre completo en letra de molde y su dirección residencial.
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- ☐ 9. Para las elecciones primarias, usted debe indicar su preferencia de partido político. (Marque abajo si es apropiado).  
  
Sin embargo, si usted envió una solicitud anual para votar por correo postal (Annual ABBM, por sus siglas en Inglés), usted recibirá las boletas para todas las demás elecciones oficiadas este año que no sean elecciones primarias o elecciones primarias de desempate.
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(día) (mes) (año)  
  
(Marque abajo si es apropiado)  
☐ Sin embargo, ya que usted solicito una boleta para la elección de desempate, si una sucede, su solicitud es válida para esa elección.
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- ☐ 13. No se pudo determinar las elecciones en las cuales usted desea votar por correo.
- ☐ 14. Su solicitud fue inicialmente enviada por fax o correo electrónico, pero una copia impresa original de la solicitud no fue recibida dentro de los cuatro días hábiles.
- ☐ 15. Otro: \_\_\_\_\_

Si usted desea votar por correo, es necesario que envíe otra solicitud a esta oficina y su solicitud debe ser recibida por 6/11/19 (Fecha). \*Si la nueva solicitud es enviada por fax o por correo electrónico, la copia impresa original debe ser recibida dentro de cuatro días hábiles.

Si tiene una pregunta en cuanto a su solicitud, por favor comuníquese conmigo llamando al (956) 681-1020.

Mueller, Shirley M.  
810 S. 16th 1/2 St.  
McAllen, TX 78501-5263

(Número de Teléfono)  
*Shirley Mueller*  
Secretario/a de Votación Anticipada

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Last Name

Mueller ✓

Suffix

First Name

Shirley ✓

Middle Initial

M Marie

ADDRESS AT WHICH VOTER IS REGISTERED (DIRECCION DE RESIDENCIA DE INSCRIPCION COMO VOTANTE)

Street Address

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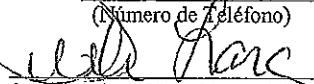
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- ☐ 9. Para las elecciones primarias, usted debe indicar su preferencia de partido político. (Marque abajo si es apropiado).  
  
Sin embargo, si usted envió una solicitud anual para votar por correo postal (Annual ABBM, por sus siglas en Inglés), usted recibirá las boletas para todas las demás elecciones oficiales este año que no sean elecciones primarias o elecciones primarias de desempate.
- ☐ 10. No proporciono la dirección residencial bajo la cual usted está registrado/a.
- ☐ 11. Su solicitud fue recibida después de la fecha límite para recibir solicitudes para votar por correo postal. La fecha límite fue el \_\_\_\_ de \_\_\_\_\_.  
(día) (mes) (año)  
  
(Marque abajo si es apropiado)  
☐ Sin embargo, ya que usted solicito una boleta para la elección de desempate, si una sucede, su solicitud es válida para esa elección.
- ☐ 12. Los documentos del registro electoral indican que usted no está inscrito como votante y si ha solicitado dicha inscripción, ésta no entrará en vigor en o antes del Día de la Elección.
- ☐ 13. No se pudo determinar las elecciones en las cuales usted desea votar por correo.
- ☐ 14. Su solicitud fue inicialmente enviada por fax o correo electrónico, pero una copia impresa original de la solicitud no fue recibida dentro de los cuatro días hábiles.
- ☒ 15. Otro: **No tiene 65 años de edad como razon para votar por correo.**

Si usted desea votar por correo, es necesario que envíe otra solicitud a esta oficina y su solicitud debe ser recibida por \_\_\_\_\_. (Fecha). \*Si la nueva solicitud es enviada por fax o por correo electrónico, la copia impresa original debe ser recibida dentro de cuatro días hábiles.

Si tiene una pregunta en cuanto a su solicitud, por favor comuníquese conmigo llamando al **(956) 681-1020**.

**Sandoval, Jorge A.**  
**2120 Date Palm Ave.**  
**McAllen, TX 78501**

(Número de Teléfono)  
  
Secretario/a de Votación Anticipada

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**Application for Ballot by Mail**

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For Official Use Only  
VUID #, County Election Precinct #,  
Statement of Residence, etc.

2125079954

1 Last Name (Please print information) **Sandoval** First Name **Jorge** Middle Initial **A** **Antonio**

2 Residence Address: See back of this application for instructions.  
**2120 Date Palm Ave** City **McAllen** State **TX** ZIP Code **78501**

3 Mail my ballot to: If mailing address differs from residence address, please complete Box #7.

4 Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) (Optional)  
**12/25/1962** Contact Information (Optional)  
Please list phone number and/or email address:  
\* Used in case our office has questions.

5 Reason for Voting by Mail:  
☒ 65 years of age or older. (Complete Box #6a)  
☐ Disability. (Complete Box #6a)  
☐ Expected absence from the county. (Complete Box #6b and Box #6c)  
☐ You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only  
☐ Confinement in jail. (Complete Box #6b)  
☐ You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only

6a ONLY Voters 65 Years of Age or Older or Voters with a Disability:  
If applying for one election, select appropriate box.  
If applying once for elections in the calendar year, select "Annual Application."  
☒ Annual Application  
☐ Uniform and Other Elections:  
☐ May Election  
☐ November Election  
☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Primary Elections:  
☐ You must declare one political party to vote in a primary:  
☐ Democratic Primary  
☐ Republican Primary  
☒ Any Resulting Runoff

9 Voters may submit a completed, signed, and scanned application to the Early Voting Clerk at:  
**plara@mcallen.net** (956) 681-1029  
(early voting clerk's e-mail address) (early voting clerk's fax)  
NOTE: If you fax or e-mail this form, please be aware that you must also mail the form to the early voting clerk within four business days. See "Submitting Application" on the back of this form for additional information.

10 "I certify that the information given in this application is true, and I understand that giving false information in this application is a crime."

**SIGN HERE**  
If applicant is unable to sign or make a mark in the presence of a witness, the witness shall complete Box #11.

**George A Sandoval**

11 If someone helped you to complete this form or mails the form for you, then that person must complete the sections below.

Signature of Witness/Assistant **X**  
Street Address \_\_\_\_\_ Apt Number (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP Code \_\_\_\_\_

Witness' Relationship to Applicant  
(Refer to Instructions on back for clarification)

12 See back for Witness and Assistant definitions.  
If applicant is unable to mark Box #10 and you are acting as a Witness to that fact, please check this box and sign below. ☐  
If you assisted the applicant in completing this application in the applicant's presence or e-mailed/mailed or faxed the application on behalf of the applicant, please check this box as an Assistant and sign below. ☐  
\* If you are acting as Witness and Assistant, please check both boxes. Failure to complete this information is a Class A misdemeanor if signature was witnessed or applicant was assisted in completing the application.

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I have received and reviewed your application for a ballot by mail. I have determined that your application must be rejected for the following reason(s):

(Check as applicable)

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- ☐ 2. Your application was not properly delivered.
- ☐ 3. Your application was received after the deadline to apply for a ballot by mail for the upcoming election.

(Check if appropriate:)

- ☐ However, since you indicated on the application that it was to be an Annual application for a ballot by mail, the application will be considered valid for other elections held this year and for which the application was submitted before the deadline.
- ☐ 4. You indicate you are voting due to expected absence from the county, but the address to which your ballot is to be sent is not an address outside the county. When voting by mail on the grounds of expected absence from the county, the address to which your ballot is to be mailed must be outside the county.
- ☐ 5. When voting by mail due to confinement in jail, the address to which your ballot is to be mailed must be that of the jail or a relative. Your application did not indicate either address.
- ☐ 6. Your application was not signed.
- ☐ 7. The witness who signed your application did not:
- ☐ (a) indicate a relationship on your application;
- ☐ (b) indicate that you were unable to make your mark in lieu of your signature; or
- ☐ (c) provide his or her printed name or residence address.
- ☐ 8. Your application did not indicate the reason you are entitled to vote by mail.
- ☐ 9. For a primary election, you must indicate your party preference.

(Check if appropriate:)

- ☐ However, if you have submitted an Annual ABBM, you will receive ballots for other elections held this year other than the Primary or Runoff Election.
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- ☐ 11. Your application was received after the deadline for receiving an application for a ballot by mail. The deadline for receiving the application was \_\_\_\_\_ (Date)

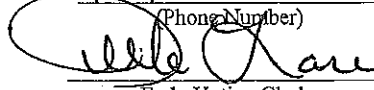
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- ☐ However, since you have requested a ballot for the run-off election, if one is to be held, your application is valid for that election.
- ☐ 12. According to the records of the voter registrar, you are not currently registered to vote or your registration, if you have applied, will not be effective on or before election day.
- ☐ 13. I could not determine the election for which you were applying for a ballot.
- ☐ 14. Your application was initially submitted via fax or email, but an original hardcopy of the application was not received within four business days.
- ☒ 15. Other: **Residence address not on file.**

If you wish to vote, it will be necessary for you to submit another application to me, and that application must be received by \_\_\_\_\_. \*If new application is faxed or emailed, the original hardcopy must be received within four business days.

If you have any questions regarding your application, please contact me at **(956) 681-1020**

(Phone Number)



Early Voting Clerk

Delgado, Pablo  
 2012 Oakland Ave.  
 McAllen, TX 78501

(A)

Statement of Residence, etc. 1072101101

1 Last Name (Please print information) Delgado First Name Pablo Middle Initial

2 Residence Address: See back of this application for instructions. 2012 Oakland Ave City TX ZIP Code

3 Mail my ballot to: If mailing address differs from residence address, please complete Box #7. 2109 Kerrville Ave apt. 7 State ZIP Code

4 Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) (Optional) 1/2/05/1933

5 Reason for Voting by Mail: 90559

☐ 65 years of age or older. (Complete Box #6a)

☐ Disability. (Complete Box #6a)

☐ Expected absence from the county. (Complete Box #6a and Box #8)

☐ You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only

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☒ Annual Application

Uniform and Other Elections:

☐ May Election

☐ November Election

☐ Other

Primary Elections: You must declare one political party to vote in a primary:

☐ Democratic Primary

☐ Republican Primary

☒ Any Resulting Runoff

6b ONLY Voters Absent from County or Voters Confined in Jail: You may only apply for a ballot by mail for one election, and any resulting runoff. Please select the appropriate box.

Uniform and Other Elections:

☐ May Election

☐ November Election

☐ Other

Primary Elections: You must declare one political party to vote in a primary:

☐ Democratic Primary

☐ Republican Primary

☐ Any Resulting Runoff

7 If you are requesting this ballot be mailed to a different address (other than residence), indicate where the ballot will be mailed. See reverse for instructions.

☐ Mailing Address as listed on my voter registration certificate

☐ Nursing home, assisted living facility, or long term care facility

☐ Hospital

☐ Retirement Center

8 If you selected "expected absence from the county," see reverse for instructions

Date you can begin to receive mail at this address: 1/2/05/1933 Date of return to residence address: 1/2/05/1933

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Pablo Delgado Jr Date

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☒ Signature of Witness/Assistant

☒ Printed Name of Witness/Assistant

City McAllen State TX ZIP Code 78501

Street Address 2109 Kerrville Ave apt. 7 Apt Number (if applicable)

State TX

Witness' Relationship to Applicant (Refer to Instructions on back for clarification)

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\_\_\_\_\_1. Su solicitud fue recibida antes del 60º día antes de una elección celebrada en enero o febrero del año siguiente al año en que se presentó el ABBM ("ABBM" por sus siglas en Inglés).

\_\_\_\_\_2. La solicitud no fue entregada de manera apropiada.

**X** \_\_\_\_\_3. Su solicitud fue recibida después de la fecha límite para aplicar para recibir una boleta por correo para esta elección. (Marque abajo si es apropiado).

\_\_\_\_\_ Sin embargo, ya que usted indico en la solicitud que su solicitud es una solicitud anual para votar por correo, la solicitud se considerará válida para las otras elecciones que sucedan este año y para las cuales su solicitud fue enviada antes de la fecha límite.

4. Usted indico que desea votar por correo por que planea estar ausente del condado pero la dirección que usted proporciono para recibir su boleta no es una dirección fuera del condado. Cuando usted aplica para votar por correo en base a que estará ausente del condado, la dirección a la cual usted recibirá su boleta debe estar ubicada fuera del condado.

\_\_\_\_ 5. Si usted está encarcelado, para que pueda votar por correo es necesario que su boleta sea enviada directamente a la cárcel o al domicilio de algún familiar. Su solicitud no indicó ninguna de estas direcciones.

6. No firmó su solicitud.

7. El testigo que firmó su solicitud no:

- (a) indicó, en la solicitud, qué parentesco o tipo relación existe entre ustedes;
- (b) indicó que además de no poder firmar, usted no puede poner su marca en la solicitud; o
- (c) proporcione su nombre completo en letra de molde y su dirección residencial.

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10. No proporciono la dirección residencial bajo la cual usted está registrado/a.

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La fecha límite fue el \_\_\_\_\_ de \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.  
(día) (mes) (año)

(Marque abajo si es apropiado)

\_\_\_\_ Sin embargo, ya que usted solicita una boleta para la elección de desempate, si una sucede, su solicitud es válida para esa elección.

\_\_\_\_\_12. Los documentos del registro electoral indican que usted no está inscrito como votante y si ha solicitado dicha inscripción, ésta no entrará en vigor en o antes del Día de la Elección.

13. No se pudo determinar las elecciones en las cuales usted desea votar por correo.

14. Su solicitud fue inicialmente enviada por fax o correo electrónico, pero una copia impresa original de la solicitud no fue recibida dentro de los cuatro días hábiles.

15. Otro:

Si usted desea votar por correo, es necesario que envíe otra solicitud a esta oficina y su solicitud debe ser recibida por \_\_\_\_\_ (Fecha). \*Si la nueva solicitud es enviada por fax o por correo electrónico, la copia impresa original debe ser recibida dentro de cuatro días hábiles.

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(Número de Teléfono)

**Reyes, Hiliberta**  
**P O Box 52762** 000395  
**McAllen, TX 78505-2762**

Secretario/a de Votación Anticipada

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# APPLICATION FOR BALLOT BY MAIL (Solicitud Para Recibir Una Boleta Por Correo)

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VUID: 1153 4644 601 PCT: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name

Reyes

Suffix

First Name

Hilberta

Middle Initial

ADDRESS AT WHICH VOTER IS REGISTERED (DIRECCION DE RESIDENCIA DE INSCRIPCION COMO VOTANTE)

Street Address

PO Box 52762

City

McAllen

State

TX

ZIP

78505-2762

☒ I am over 65 years of age and requesting an Annual Ballot By Mail to receive a ballot of all elections in 2019, including local elections and the November 2019 General Election.  
Mail my ballot to the address indicated above (unless noted otherwise below.)

☒ Signature of applicant. I certify that the information given in this application is true and I understand that giving false information in this application is a crime. Certifico que la información que se proporciona mediante esta solicitud es cierta y entiendo que es delito dar información falsa.

OPTIONAL: IF YOU ARE NOT ABLE TO RECEIVE YOUR BALLOT AT YOUR REGISTRATION ADDRESS (ABOVE), YOU MAY HAVE YOUR BALLOT MAILED TO AN ALTERNATE ADDRESS

Check One

of these

4 choices:

☐ NURSING HOME, ASSISTED LIVING OR LONG TERM CARE FACILITY☐ HOSPITAL☐ RETIREMENT CENTER☐ RELATIVE, RELATIONSHIP

STREET ADDRESS

417 south 20 1/2 street

CITY

McAllen

STATE

Texas

ZIP

78501

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**Pena, Michelle**  
**2630 Lucille Ave**  
**Saint Joseph MO 64506-1954**

Secretario/a de Votación Anticipada

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**APPLICATION FOR BALLOT BY MAIL.**  
(Solicitud Para Recibir Una Boleta Por Correo)

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VUID: 3120174622 PCT: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name

Pena

Suffix

First Name

Michelle

Middle Initial

ADDRESS AT WHICH VOTER IS REGISTERED (DIRECCION DE RESIDENCIA DE INSCRIPCION COMO VOTANTE)

Street Address

2630 Lucille Ave

City

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MO

ZIP

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☐ HOSPITAL

☐ RETIREMENT CENTER

☐ RELATIVE, RELATIONSHIP

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Código Electoral de Texas Secs. 86.008(b), 86.0015  
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# AVISO DE SOLICITUD RECHAZADA PARA RECIBIR UNA BOLETA POR CORREO

Su solicitud para recibir una boleta por correo postal fue recibida y analizada. Hemos determinado que su solicitud debe ser rechazada por la siguiente razón:

(Marcar las que apliquen)

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(día) (mes) (año)  
  
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(Número de Teléfono)

Cepeda, Juanita  
1120 Oakland Ave.  
McAllen, TX 78501

Secretario/a de Votación Anticipada

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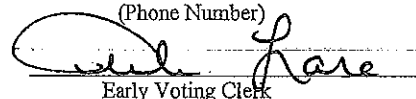
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 (\*Date)

If you have any questions regarding your application, please contact me at (956) 681-1020.  
 (Phone Number)

  
 Early Voting Clerk

Robeson, Robert L.  
 1616 N. 8th Street  
 McAllen TX 78501

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1 Last Name (Please print information) **ROBERSON** **Robert** **Robert** Middle Initial **L** **Leslie** (A)

2 Residence Address: See back of this application for instructions. **1616 N. 8TH STREET** City **McAllen** State **TX** ZIP Code **78501**

3 Mail my ballot to: If mailing address differs from residence address, please complete Box # 7.

4 Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) (Optional) **01/01/1935** ZIP Code **78501**

5 Reason for Voting by Mail: ☒ 65 years of age or older. (Complete Box #6a) ☐ Disability. (Complete Box #6a) ☐ Expected absence from the county. (Complete Box #6b and Box #8) ☐ You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only ☐ Confinement in jail. (Complete Box #6b) ☐ You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only

6 ONLY Voters 65 Years of Age or Older or Voters with a Disability: If applying for one election, select appropriate box. If applying once for elections in the calendar year, select "Annual Application."

6a Uniform and Other Elections: ☐ May Election ☐ November Election ☐ Other ☒ Annual Application

Primary Elections: You must declare one political party to vote in a primary: ☐ Democratic Primary ☐ Republican Primary ☐ Any Resulting Runoff

6b ONLY Voters Absent from County or Voters Confined in Jail: You may only apply for a ballot by mail for one election, and any resulting runoff. Please select the appropriate box.

Uniform and Other Elections: ☐ May Election ☐ November Election ☐ Other ☐ Any Resulting Runoff

Primary Elections: You must declare one political party to vote in a primary: ☐ Democratic Primary ☐ Republican Primary ☐ Any Resulting Runoff

7 If you are requesting this ballot be mailed to a different address (other than residence), indicate where the ballot will be mailed. See reverse for instructions. **956-686-3148**

☐ Mailing Address as listed on my voter registration certificate ☐ Address of the jail ☐ Nursing home, assisted living facility, or long term care facility ☐ Relative; relationship ☐ Hospital ☐ Address outside the county (see Box #8) ☐ Retirement Center

8 If you selected "expected absence from the county," see reverse for instructions

9 Voters may submit a completed, signed, and scanned application to the Early Voting Clerk at: **plaraomcallen.net** (early voting clerk's e-mail address) **(956)681-1029** (early voting clerk's fax)

NOTE: If you fax or e-mail this form, please be aware that you must also mail the form to the early voting clerk within four business days. See "Submitting Application" on the back of this form for additional information.

10 "I certify that the information given in this application is true, and I understand that giving false information in this application is a crime."

**X** **Robert L. Roberson**

SIGN HERE  
If applicant is unable to sign or make a mark in the presence of a witness, the witness shall complete Box #11.

11 See back for Witness and Assistant definitions.  
If applicant is unable to mark Box #40 and you are acting as a Witness to that fact, please check this box and sign below. ☐

If you assisted the applicant in completing this application in the applicant's presence or e-mailed/mailed or faxed the application on behalf of the applicant, please check this box as an Assistant and sign below. ☐

\* If you are acting as Witness and Assistant, please check both boxes. Failure to complete this information is a Class A misdemeanor if signature was witnessed or applicant was assisted in completing the application.

**X** Printed Name of Witness/Assistant  
City  
Street Address  
Apt Number (if applicable)  
State  
ZIP Code

Witness' Relationship to Applicant  
(Refer to Instructions on back for clarification)



AW5-16  
 Prescribed by Secretary of State  
 Section 86.008(b), 86.0015 Texas Election Code  
 12/17

## NOTICE OF REJECTED APPLICATION FOR BALLOT BY MAIL

I have received and reviewed your application for a ballot by mail. I have determined that your application must be rejected for the following reason(s):

(Check as applicable)

- ☐ 1. Your application was received earlier than the 60th day before an election held in January or February of the year following the year the ABBM was submitted.
- ☐ 2. Your application was not properly delivered.
- ☐ 3. Your application was received after the deadline to apply for a ballot by mail for the upcoming election.

(Check if appropriate:)

- ☐ However, since you indicated on the application that it was to be an Annual application for a ballot by mail, the application will be considered valid for other elections held this year and for which the application was submitted before the deadline.
- ☐ 4. You indicate you are voting due to expected absence from the county, but the address to which your ballot is to be sent is not an address outside the county. When voting by mail on the grounds of expected absence from the county, the address to which your ballot is to be mailed must be outside the county.
- ☐ 5. When voting by mail due to confinement in jail, the address to which your ballot is to be mailed must be that of the jail or a relative. Your application did not indicate either address.
- ☐ 6. Your application was not signed.
- ☐ 7. The witness who signed your application did not:
- ☐ (a) indicate a relationship on your application;
- ☐ (b) indicate that you were unable to make your mark in lieu of your signature; or
- ☐ (c) provide his or her printed name or residence address.
- ☐ 8. Your application did not indicate the reason you are entitled to vote by mail.
- ☐ 9. For a primary election, you must indicate your party preference.

(Check if appropriate:)

- ☐ However, if you have submitted an Annual ABBM, you will receive ballots for other elections held this year other than the Primary or Runoff Election.
- ☐ 10. Your residence address of registration was not provided on your application.
- ☐ 11. Your application was received after the deadline for receiving an application for a ballot by mail. The deadline for receiving the application was \_\_\_\_\_ (Date)

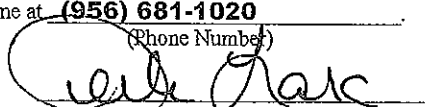
(Check if appropriate)

- ☐ However, since you have requested a ballot for the run-off election, if one is to be held, your application is valid for that election.
- ☐ 12. According to the records of the voter registrar, you are not currently registered to vote or your registration, if you have applied, will not be effective on or before election day.
- ☐ 13. I could not determine the election for which you were applying for a ballot.
- ☐ 14. Your application was initially submitted via fax or email, but an original hardcopy of the application was not received within four business days.
- ☒ 15. Other: **District you reside in (#6) is currently not having an election.**

If you wish to vote, it will be necessary for you to submit another application to me, and that application must be received by \_\_\_\_\_ (\*Date) \*If new application is faxed or emailed, the original hardcopy must be received within four business days.

If you have any questions regarding your application, please contact me at **(956) 681-1020**

(Phone Number)

  
 Early Voting Clerk

Molina, Erica Nicole  
 5 Alexander St  
 Brighton East VIC, 3187  
 Australia

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# Voter Registration and Absentee Ballot Request

Federal Post Card Application (FPCA)

This form is for absent Uniformed Service members, their families, and citizens residing outside the United States. It is used to register to vote, request an absentee ballot, and update your contact information. See your State's instructions at FVAP.gov.

Print clearly in blue or black ink.

## 1. Who are you? Pick one.

I request an absentee ballot for all elections in which I am eligible to vote AND:

- ☐ I am on active duty in the Uniformed Services or Merchant Marine -OR- ☐ I am an eligible spouse or dependent.  
☐ I am an activated National Guard member on State orders.  
☒ I am a U.S. citizen living outside the country, and I intend to return.  
☐ I am a U.S. citizen living outside the country, and my return is uncertain.  
☐ I am a U.S. citizen living outside the country, and I have never lived in the United States.

Sex ☒ Female  
☐ Male

Last name

Molina

Suffix (Jr., II)

First name

Erica

Previous names (if applicable)

Middle name

Nicole

Birth date (MM/DD/YYYY)

10 / 25 / 1989

Social Security Number

033-10-0886

Driver's license or State ID #

24594201

## 2. What is your address in the U.S. State or territory where you are registering to vote and requesting an absentee ballot?

Your voting materials will not be sent to this address. See instructions on other side of form.

Street address 2708 N 8TH ST

Apt #

City, town, village MCALLEN

State TX

County Hidalgo

ZIP 78501

## 3. Where are you now? You must give your CURRENT address to receive your voting materials.

Your mailing address. (Different from above)

Your mail forwarding address. (If applicable)

5 Alexander St Brighton East VIC, 3187, Australia

## 4. What is your contact information? This is so election officials can reach you about your request.

Provide the country code and area code with your phone and fax number. Do not use a Defense Switched Network (DSN) number.

Email: ericanmolina@gmail.com

Phone: 011610414086262

Alternate email: erica@finlaysoncommunications.com.au

Fax:

## 5. What is your voting preference? Select One.

How do you want to receive voting materials from your election office?  
☐ Mail  
☒ Email or online  
☐ Fax

What is your political party for primary elections?  
 Democratic

## 6. What additional information must you provide?

The following need more information: Alaska, Arizona, Puerto Rico, Vermont, and Virginia. (Ex. Proof of residency, employer, etc.)  
 You may also use this space to clarify your voter information. See the Voting Assistance Guide at FVAP.gov.

Receive Ballot For: All Federal elections for which I am eligible.

## 7. You must read and sign this statement.

I swear or affirm, under penalty of perjury, that:

- The information on this form is true, accurate, and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that a material misstatement of fact in completion of this document may constitute grounds for conviction of perjury.
- I am a U.S. citizen, at least 18 years of age (or will be by the day of the election), eligible to vote in the requested jurisdiction, and
- I am not disqualified to vote due to having been convicted of a felony or other disqualifying offense, nor have I been adjudicated mentally incompetent; or if so, my voting rights have been reinstated; and
- I am not registering, requesting a ballot, or voting in any other jurisdiction in the United States, except the jurisdiction cited in this voting form.

Sign here

X 2-M

Today's date  
 (MM/DD/YYYY)

19/06/2019

# Exhibit 14

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
SAN ANTONIO DIVISION**

DR. GEORGE RICHARDSON, ROSALIE  
WEISFELD, AUSTIN JUSTICE  
COALITION, COALITION OF TEXANS  
WITH DISABILITIES, MOVE TEXAS  
CIVIC FUND, LEAGUE OF WOMEN  
VOTERS OF TEXAS, and AMERICAN GI  
FORUM OF TEXAS, INC.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

TEXAS SECRETARY OF STATE,  
TRUDY HANCOCK, in her official  
capacity as BRAZOS COUNTY  
ELECTIONS ADMINISTRATOR, and  
PERLA LARA in her official capacity as  
CITY OF MCALLEN, TEXAS  
SECRETARY, Defendants.

Civil Case No. 5:19-cv-00963

**DECLARATION OF DR. LINTON A. MOHAMMED**

LINTON A. MOHAMMED, acting in accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 1746, Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26(a)(2)(B), and Federal Rules of Evidence 702 and 703, does hereby declare and say:

1. I am a Forensic Document Examiner (“FDE”), certified by the American Board of Forensic Document Examiners. I have been engaged in this matter on behalf of Plaintiffs Dr. George Richardson, Rosalie Weisfeld, Austin Justice Coalition, Coalition of Texans With Disabilities, Move Texas Civic Fund, League

of Women Voters of Texas, and American GI Forum of Texas, Inc., to opine on the reliability of the procedures and techniques of the Texas signature verification process for mail-in ballot applications and mail-in ballot return envelopes as set forth in Texas elections laws and guidance.

## **I. QUALIFICATIONS**

2. I am a U.S.-certified and internationally recognized FDE, and the focus of my research and professional experience is on handwriting and signature identification and the scientific approach to analyzing questioned signatures. I am, and since 1998 continuously have been, certified by the American Board of Forensic Document Examiners (ABFDE), a certifying board for FDEs in North America. I am also certified in document examination by the Chartered Society of Forensic Sciences (United Kingdom). I specialize in the forensic science of analyzing genuine, disguised, and simulated signatures.

3. I co-founded and I am currently the principal at Forensic Science Consultants, Inc., where I conduct forensic document examination casework and research on handwriting and signature examination as well as other forensic document examination (e.g., document alterations, obliterations, indented impressions, or pages added or removed). I am also an adjunct professor at Oklahoma State University, where I teach graduate courses on the scientific examination of questioned documents.

4. During and prior to my time with Forensic Science Consultants, Inc., and for nearly fourteen years, I worked as Forensic Document Examiner and Senior Document Examiner for the San Diego Sherriff's Department Regional Crime Laboratory. There, I conducted examinations of signatures and handwriting for cases investigated by San Diego County agencies as well as by local police, state, and federal agencies. I also served as Technical Lead of the Questioned Documents Section of the Regional Crime Laboratory, trained investigators and attorneys, provided expert testimony, conducted research, and produced the Questioned Documents Section Quality Manuals. Prior to that, I worked internationally as an FDE at the Laboratory of the Government Chemist (England), the Caribbean Institute of Forensic Investigations Ltd. (West Indies), and the Trinidad and Tobago Forensic Science Center (West Indies). In those roles, I conducted forensic document examinations and testified in criminal and civil cases for multiple police forces and other government agencies.

5. I am a Fellow of the Questioned Documents Section of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences (AAFS), a member and diplomate of the Chartered Society of Forensic Sciences, and a member of the Canadian Society of Forensic Science. I served as the Chair of the AAFS Questioned Documents Section from 2016 to 2018. I am an appointed member and Vice Chair of the Academy Standards Board, which was formed by the AAFS to develop documentary standards for the



forensic sciences. I served as a member of the National Institute of Standards and Technology's Expert Working Group on Human Factors in Handwriting Examination, the National Institute of Standards and Technology Organization of Scientific Area Committees' Physics/Pattern Interpretation Scientific Area Committee, and the Scientific Working Group on Documents. I have previously served as President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Director of the American Society of Questioned Document Examiners (ASQDE).

6. I am the editor of the Journal of the American Society of Questioned Document Examiners. I am an editorial review board member of Forensic Science and Technology and I have served on the editorial review board of the Journal of Forensic Sciences. I am also a guest reviewer for the following journals: Forensic Science International, Science & Justice, Australian Journal of Forensic Science, Egyptian Journal of Forensic Sciences, and IEEE Transactions on Cybernetics.

7. I have published sixteen articles on signature and handwriting examination, and forensic document examination. Many of my articles focus on the analysis of genuine and forged signatures and handwriting examination. I have also given numerous presentations and workshops on signature and document examination worldwide, including the United States, Australia, Brazil, Canada, China, Latvia, Poland, Portugal, Saudi Arabia, Scotland, and Turkey.

8. In 2019, I authored a book titled, *Forensic Examination of Signatures* which describes and discusses state of the art techniques and research in signature examination.<sup>1</sup> I co-authored a book in 2012 titled *The Neuroscience of Handwriting: Applications for Forensic Document Examination*, which integrates research in the fields of motor control, neuroscience, kinematics, and robotics to evaluate questioned signatures and handwriting.<sup>2</sup> The book sets forth, among other things, the scientific fundamentals of motor control as relevant to handwriting; the impact of age, disease, and medication on handwriting; and a quantitative approach to signature authentication, including kinematic and laboratory analyses of genuine versus disguised versus forged signatures.

9. In 2012, I received the American Board of Forensic Document Examiners' New Horizon Award "In Recognition of His Exceptional Contributions in Scientific Research for the Advancement of Forensic Document Examination." In 2019, I received the American Academy of Forensic Sciences Questioned Documents Section Ordway Hilton Award "In Recognition of Outstanding Contributions to Forensic Document Examination."

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<sup>1</sup> Mohammed, L. (2019). *Forensic Examination of Signatures*. San Diego: Elsevier.

<sup>2</sup> Caligiuri, M.P., & Mohammed, L.A. (2012). *The Neuroscience of Handwriting: Applications for Forensic Document Examination*. Boca Raton: CRC Press/Taylor & Francis Group.

10. I have testified as an expert witness in court and depositions more than 150 times on issues of signature, handwriting, and document examination in both civil and criminal cases, including cases in the United States, England, Trinidad & Tobago, and St. Vincent.

11. I received a Ph.D. from La Trobe University in Melbourne, Australia in human biosciences, where I wrote my thesis on signature examination: “*Elucidating static and dynamic features to discriminate between signature disguise and signature forgery behavior.*” Prior to that, I received my undergraduate degree in science at the University of West Indies; underwent a two-year training program in document examination at the Trinidad and Tobago Forensic Science Center; and received a master’s degree in forensic sciences at National University in San Diego, California.

12. My *curriculum vitae* is attached as Exhibit A, and a Testimony Listing for the past five years is attached as Exhibit B. I am being compensated at a rate of \$400.00 per hour. My compensation in this matter is not in any way contingent on the content of my opinion or the outcome of this matter.

## **II. BACKGROUND**

13. For this Declaration, I reviewed the Plaintiff’s Original Complaint filed in this matter; the State of Texas Early Voting Ballot Board Handbook for Election Judges and Clerks 2018 (Updated January 2018); and relevant academic literature.

14. Based on my review of the Complaint in this lawsuit, the laws challenged therein, Chapter 87 of the Texas Election Code, and the State of Texas Early Voting Ballot Board Handbook for Election Judges and Clerks 2018 (Updated January 2018), I understand that a group of election officials known as the Early Voting Ballot Board (EVBB) and/or the Signature Verification Committee (SVC) is required to compare the signatures on mail-in ballot applications and mail-in ballot return envelopes. § Senate Bill 5, 85th Legislature, First Called Session, (2017) [Sec. 87.041(c)].

15. Signature verifications are conducted by the EVBB. The voter's signature may be accepted if, "neither the voter's signature on the ballot application nor the signature on the carrier envelope certificate is determined to have been executed by a person other than the voter, unless signed by a witness" Texas Election Code 87.041 (b) (2). In making this determination, the EVBB is guided by Texas Election Code 87.041 (e) and (f).

16. In some jurisdictions, verifications of voter's signatures may also be conducted by a Signature Verification Committee (SVC) that is appointed by the Early Voting Clerk. The SVC "compares signatures on applications and corresponding carrier envelopes only to determine that the signatures on these documents are of the same person." [Sec. 87.027(i)]. The SVC may use electronic

copies of the mail ballot application and carrier envelope certificate for comparing signatures.

17. The EVBB makes a determination if the SVC cannot determine whether the signatures are made by the same person. The EVBB cannot overturn a decision of the SVC that determines the signatures are by one writer. However, the EVBB can overturn, by majority vote, a decision of the SVC that the signatures were completed by different writers.

18. The signatures may be original “wet-ink” or electronic copies.

19. Neither the statutes governing the signature matching process nor the State of Texas Early Voting Ballot Board Handbook for Election Judges and Clerks 2018 (Updated January 2018) provide any guidance to elections officials on how to compare signatures.

20. Based on my understanding, Texas election officials are lay individuals, meaning they are not required to have any training, certification, or experience in document examination or signature comparison.

21. Based on my understanding, there are no further written statewide standards or procedures for election officials to evaluate whether a signature on a mail-in ballot application or ballot return envelope match each other, or match a signature in the qualified voter file or voter registration card.

### III. SUMMARY OF CONCLUSIONS

22. The Texas signature match procedures do not set forth sufficient standards for determining whether a signature on a mail-in ballot application or return envelope match each other or match a voter signature displayed in the qualified voter file or on the voter's registration card, which results in error-prone determinations. Based on my review of the election statutes and Texas Early Voting Ballot Board Handbook, Texas also does not require election officials to have any training in signature examination and does not require that election officials be provided examination equipment, such as proper light sources and microscopes.

23. Based on my experience and my review of the academic literature, it is my opinion that in these circumstances, Texas election officials are likely to make erroneous signature comparison determinations.

24. Determining whether a signature is genuine is a difficult task for even a trained FDE, as signatures are written in different styles with varying levels of readability and variability. Laypersons, such as Texas election officials, have a significantly higher rate of error in determining whether signatures are genuine. Laypersons are also more likely to wrongly determine that authentic signatures are *not* genuine than to make the opposite error. In other words, Texas election officials are significantly more likely than trained examiners to make an incorrect signature-



comparison determination and are particularly likely to incorrectly decide that the signatures are *not* signed by the same person.

25. The high rate of error among laypersons generally results from the inability to distinguish between normal “variations” in one individual’s signatures as opposed to “differences” resulting from multiple signers. An individual’s signatures may vary for myriad reasons, including age, health, native language, and writing conditions. Laypersons lack the tools and training to properly account for signature variation, which leads to erroneous mismatch determinations that are particularly pronounced in populations with greater signature variability, such as the elderly, disabled, individuals suffering from poor health, young voters (18-21), and non-native English speakers.

26. These signature-determination errors are further compounded for Texas election officials with diminished eyesight or “form blindness” (a type of impairment in visual perception defined below)—both of which impact an individual’s ability to make accurate handwriting authenticity determinations. While FDEs are screened for these traits, Texas law and guidance regarding signature comparison do not require election officials to undergo such screening.

27. According to Senate Bill 5, 85th Legislature, First Called Session, (2017), the EVBB/SVC may compare signatures with two or more signatures the voter made within the preceding six years and on file with the voter registrar or county clerk to

determine whether signatures are those of the voter. Under current law, the comparison can be used to determine whether the signatures are those of the same voter (i.e. to accept or reject.)

28. At a minimum, ten signature samples are usually required for an accurate signature determination to account for an individual's signature variability, given proper examination conditions.<sup>3</sup> However, this minimum amount can increase exponentially in cases where the writer is ill, disabled, elderly, or has other handwriting issues.

29. The Texas Early Voting Ballot Board Handbook includes the following categories of voters as having valid reasons for early voting. 1. Persons who are 65 years of age or older on election day. [Sec. 82.003] and, 2. Persons who have a sickness or physical condition that prevents them from appearing at the polling place on election day without a likelihood of needing personal assistance or injuring their health. Expected or likely confinement for childbirth on election day is sufficient cause to entitle a voter to vote early by mail on the ground of disability. [Sec. 82.002]

30. Further, if election officials have insufficient time to compare signatures, that would likely lead to additional erroneous determinations. A signature comparison may normally take a minimum of two hours.

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<sup>3</sup> Hilton, O. (1965). A further look at writing standards. *The Journal of Criminal Law, Criminology and Police Science*, Vol. 56, No. 3, p. 383.

31. In sum, it is my opinion that Texas’s current signature matching rules and procedures, which allow individuals without adequate training—and without guidance—to reject mail-in ballots and ballot applications for signatures they deem to be non-matching, will result in a significant number of erroneous rejections.

#### IV. ANALYSIS AND OPINIONS

##### **A. Texas Election Officials are likely to make erroneous signature Comparison Determinations.**

32. Individuals untrained in signature examination, like Texas election officials, are very likely to make mistakes when comparing signatures and are particularly likely to reject signatures erroneously as inauthentic or non-matching when they are in fact written by the same individual. These rejections are considered “Type II”<sup>4</sup> errors, and laypersons are more likely than FDEs to make such errors for several reasons. First, untrained election officials cannot reliably determine whether signatures are written by different individuals or whether the signatures are written by one person but exhibit natural variations. Second, untrained reviewers do not account for the many reasons for naturally varying signatures, causing them to erroneously reject authentic signatures. This is particularly true for writers who are poorly educated, learned English as a second language, elderly, disabled, young, or have health conditions. Third, untrained elections officials also fail to account for

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<sup>4</sup> *Infra* paragraph 33.

the different signature styles and features, leading to erroneous rejections. Lastly, Texas election officials are not tested for form blindness like FDEs, a condition that impacts their ability to accurately review signatures.

**i. Untrained laypersons are more likely than FDEs to erroneously determine authentic signatures are inauthentic.**

33. There are two types of errors in signature examination. Type I errors occur when a non-genuine signature is deemed to be genuine, and a Type II error occurs when a genuine signature is concluded to be non-genuine. Type II errors are considered to more egregious than Type I as, in criminal cases an innocent writer may be charged based on an FDEs Type II error.

34. Compared to FDEs, laypersons have higher so-called Type II error rates. In a 2001 study reviewing the error rates of FDEs and laypersons in comparing six genuine signatures with six non-genuine signatures, laypersons made Type II errors in 26.1% of cases while trained signature FDEs made such errors in 7.05% of cases.<sup>5</sup> That means that laypersons are more than 3 ½ times more likely to declare an authentic signature non-genuine—which, in the case of signatures on mail-in ballots and ballot applications, would mean that election officials would reject more than 3 ½ times the number of ballots and applications than FDEs. It should be noted that

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<sup>5</sup> Kam M., Gummadidala K., Fielding G., Conn R. (2001). Signature Authentication by Forensic Document Examiners. *Journal of Forensic Science*, 46(4):884-888.

for this study, six specimen signatures were used. If, as in Texas elections, only one genuine signature is used for comparison, it is highly likely that the error rate for both experts and laypersons would increase significantly.

35. This study also found that laypersons are much more likely to make Type II errors than Type I errors, although laypersons are still substantially more likely to make Type I errors than trained FDEs (laypersons made Type I errors in 6.47% of cases while trained FDEs made such errors in 0.49% of cases).<sup>6</sup> A Type II error is considered among FDEs as being more egregious than a Type I error for signature verification.

36. Similarly, a study conducted in Australia found that FDEs were statistically better than laypersons in determining genuineness or non-genuineness. The FDE group had a 3.4% error rate while the laypersons had a 19.3% error rate.<sup>7</sup> It must be noted that these error rates occurred when adequate signature samples and examination time were available. It can safely be assumed that the error rate will rise when inadequate comparison samples and time are available to the screener.

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<sup>6</sup> *Id.*

<sup>7</sup> Sita, J., Found, B., & Rogers, D. (2002). *Forensic handwriting examiners expertise for signature comparison*. J. Forensic Sci. 47(5).

**ii. Texas election officials cannot reliably determine whether signatures are written by different individuals or by one individual and exhibit natural variations.**

37. Determining whether signatures are made by the same or different individuals requires a reviewer to discern whether a feature or combination of features in signatures are “differences” or “variations.” Variations are deviations among repetitions of the same handwriting characteristic(s) that are normally demonstrated in the habits of each writer. A significant difference is an individualizing characteristic that is structurally divergent between handwritten items, that is outside the range of variation of the writer, and that cannot be reasonably explained.<sup>8</sup>

38. In the field of signature examination, unexplainable “*differences*” between signatures suggest that different individuals wrote the signatures, whereas “*variations*” between signatures mean that one individual wrote the signatures. Determining whether signature features are “differences” or “variations” is one of the most difficult determinations in signature examinations, even for experienced FDEs.

39. To make such a judgment reliably requires, at a minimum:

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<sup>8</sup> Scientific Working Group for Documents Standard for the Examination of Handwritten Items ([www.swgdoc.org](http://www.swgdoc.org)).




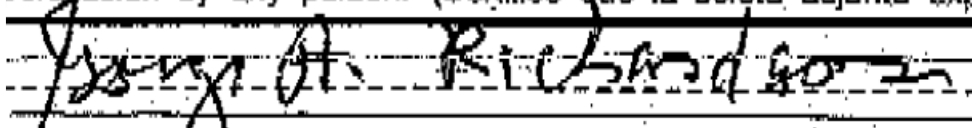
- Extensive training with different types of signatures: Becoming an FDE requires at least two, and typically three, years of full-time training with an experienced examiner, with at least eighteen months of training in the examination of signatures and handwriting. FDEs learn the science of signature examination, gain experience in casework, and are tested for proficiency.
- Adequate magnification and lighting equipment.
- Excellent eyesight.
- Adequate time: Insufficient time examining signatures is conducive to making errors. For example, one study found that FDEs spent more time looking at the questioned and known signatures than laypersons, and their evaluations were more accurate.<sup>9</sup>

Without these elements, Texas election officials are likely to misconstrue legitimate and expected “variations” between one individual’s signatures for “differences” in signatures between two individuals, and conclude incorrectly that someone other than the registered voter signed the mail-in ballot or ballot application.

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<sup>9</sup> Merlino, M., Freeman, T., Dahis, V., Springer, V., et al. (Jan. 2015). *Validity, Reliability, Accuracy, and Bias in Forensic Signature Identification*. Department of Justice Grant 2010-DN-BX-K271, Document 248565, <https://www.ncjrs.gov/pdffiles1/nij/grants/248565.pdf>.

40. This is illustrated by the case of voter Dr. George Richardson whose signature was incorrectly rejected. While there are pictorial dissimilarities between the two signatures, the EVBB may not have considered the possible reasons<sup>10</sup> for these apparent differences. Dr. Richardson's compared signatures are illustrated below. Copies of the submitted documents bearing Dr. Richardson's signatures are attached as Exhibit C.

BALLOT BY MAIL REQUEST FORM	<p>ions, local elections, and the Nov ed otherwise below)</p>  <p>If you cannot sign, make a mark and</p>
MAIL-IN BALLOT SIGNATURE	<p>persuasion by any person. (Certifico que la boleta adjunta exp</p>  <p>SIGNATURE OR MARK OF VOTER (FIRMA O MARCA D</p>

<sup>10</sup> *Infra* paragraph 41.

**iii. Untrained reviewers erroneously reject authentic signatures because they do not account for the many reasons for naturally varying signatures.**

41. Further, an individual's signatures may vary for myriad reasons, and to properly determine whether signatures are written by the same individual, one must consider the various reasons why features of the same individual's signatures may visually appear different. In one of the leading textbooks on handwriting examination, authors Roy Huber & A.M. Headrick identified twenty common reasons why individuals' signatures may appear to show variations:

- Adequacy of standards (or samples)—inadequate standards in terms of quantity and contemporaneousness will not be representative of the writer's range of variation. Variations may therefore be interpreted as differences.
- Accidental occurrences—i.e., these are one-off variations that will not appear in the specimen signatures.<sup>11</sup> Misinterpretation may lead to a decision of difference versus variation.
- Alternative styles—i.e., some writers have alternate signature styles. This may not be represented in the specimens.
- Ambidexterity.

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<sup>11</sup> A specimen signature is a signature that is known to have been written by a person. It is not disputed. Typical specimens are Driver's Licenses and Identification Cards.

- Carelessness or negligence.
- Changes in the health condition of writer.
- Changes in the physical condition of writer—e.g., fractures, fatigue, or weakness may alter features of an individual's signature.
- Changes in the mental condition or state of the writer.
- Concentration on the act of writing.
- Disguise or deliberate change.
- Drugs or alcohol.
- Influence of medications.
- Intentional change for later denial.
- Nervous tension.
- Natural variations—i.e., inherent variation as a result of differences in neuro-muscular coordination.
- Writing conditions—e.g., the individual's place or circumstances, such as in a moving vehicle or at a stationary table.
- Writing instrument—e.g., a pen versus a stylus.
- Writing position—e.g., the individual's stance.
- Writing surface—e.g., paper versus electronic screen.
- Writing under stress.

Examiners must consider each of these reasons in determining whether a feature is a “difference” created by different writers or whether the feature is simply a “variation” from the same writer. It is very unlikely that a Texas election official will have the knowledge, training, and experience to properly account for these factors.

42. Laypersons are significantly more likely than FDEs to incorrectly reject authentic signatures of illiterate writers<sup>12</sup>, writers for whom English is a second language, elderly writers, disabled writers, and writers with health conditions<sup>13,14</sup> to be non-genuine. Studies have shown that these types of writers tend to have less pen control than most other writers, and therefore would have a greater range of variation in their signatures. And the increased variation in the signatures of these groups only compounds laypersons’ tendencies to err on the side of incorrectly finding authentic signatures to be non-genuine.

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<sup>12</sup> Hilton, O. (1965). A further look at writing standards. *Journal of Criminal Law, Criminology, and Police Science*, Vol. 56, No. 3, pp.383.

<sup>13</sup> Hilton, O. (1956). Influence of serious illness on handwriting identification. *Postgraduate Medicine*, Vol. 19, No. 2.

<sup>14</sup> Hilton, O. (1969). Consideration of the writer’s health in identifying signatures and detecting forgery. *Journal of Forensic Sciences*, Vol. 14, No. 2, pp. 157-166.

43. Since signatures are developed as a motor program in the brain<sup>15</sup>, the signatures of writers for whom English is a second language are more likely to exhibit wide ranges of variation, as these writers will have to discard their former learned motor program and develop a new one for their new signature style. For instance, a writer who first learned to write in a non-Latin-based script, such as Chinese, will naturally show more variation when signing a document in English than a native writer. Likewise, where the writer's native language is written right to left, such as Urdu, the writer's signature may also be more likely to show variations in letter slanting. Qualified, experienced experts in the area of signature verification would know and account for these factors in evaluating signatures; Texas election officials, even if put through a short training session, are unlikely to be able to accurately account for these differences, particularly in an expedient time frame or when only one or a few specimen signatures are available for comparison.

44. Furthermore, young voters (ages 18 to 25) are not likely to have fully developed signatures. According to Huber & Headrick (1999), "the development and progress of one's handwriting passes through four stages in the course of a lifetime: (1) the formative stage, (2) the impressionable or adolescent stage, (3) the

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<sup>15</sup> Mohammed, L. (2019). *Forensic Examination of Signatures*. Elsevier: San Diego, pp. 5-16.



mature stage, and (4) the stage of degeneration.”<sup>16</sup> The signatures of young voters will fall between stages 2 and 3. The U.S. Postal Service has reported that “writer[s] achieve graphic maturity by the 20<sup>th</sup> birthday.”<sup>17</sup> Handwriting was developed as a means of communication<sup>18</sup>, whereas signatures are developed as a means of identification<sup>19</sup>. Signatures tend to be more personalized and can therefore be considered as an over-developed form of handwriting. It follows that young writers today will not have developed signatures until later in life. This is exacerbated as young writers will presumably need to sign less often due to the increased use of personal identification numbers (“PINs”) and other non-handwritten forms of identification. Their signature development can reasonably be expected to take longer than for previous generations. This will lead to an increased range of variation in a young writer’s signature. The handwriting of adolescents can cause difficulties even for trained FDEs. Comparisons by untrained individuals of young voters’

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<sup>16</sup> Huber, R.A. & Headrick, A.M. (1999). *Handwriting Identification: Facts and Fundamentals*. Boca Raton, FL: CRC Press.

<sup>17</sup> Bureau of the Chief Postal Inspector (1966), *20<sup>th</sup> Century Handwriting Systems and Their Importance to the Document Analyst*.

<sup>18</sup> Plamondon, R., Srihari, S. (2000). Online and off-line handwriting recognition: a comprehensive survey. *IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence*, Volume: 22, Issue:1, Jan.

<sup>19</sup> Srihari S.N., Srinivasan H., Chen S., Beal M.J. (2008). Machine Learning for Signature Verification. In: Marinai S., Fujisawa H. (eds) Machine Learning in Document Analysis and Recognition. *Studies in Computational Intelligence*, Vol 90. Springer, Berlin, Heidelberg, p. 389.

signatures on mail-in ballot applications and return envelopes will exacerbate the potential for error in rejecting their ballots.<sup>20</sup>

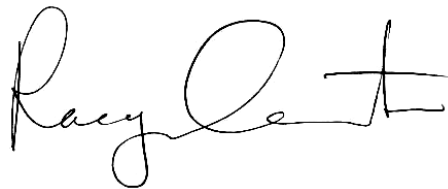
**iv. Texas elections officials also fail to account for the different signature styles and features, leading to erroneous rejections.**

45. One of the reasons that accurate signature comparison determinations prove difficult, even for a trained FDE, is that signatures are written in three different styles<sup>21</sup>:

- Text-based: Nearly all the letters can be interpreted.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that is clearly legible. The name "Linton Mohammed" is written in a fluid, connected style where most letters can be easily identified.

- Mixed: More than two, but not all, letters can be interpreted.

A handwritten signature in cursive script. While the overall shape of the letters is recognizable, some parts are stylized or connected in a way that makes individual letter identification difficult for some characters.

- Stylized: No letters can be interpreted.

A highly stylized and abstract handwritten signature. It consists of sharp, intersecting lines and loops that do not resemble standard letterforms, making it impossible to read.

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<sup>20</sup> Cusack, C.T & Hargett, J.W. (1989). A Comparison Study of the Handwriting of Adolescents. *Forensic Science International*, 42(3):239-248.

<sup>21</sup> Mohammed, L., Found, B., Rogers, D. (2008). Frequency of signature styles in San Diego County. *Journal of the American Society of Questioned Document Examiners*, Vol. 11, No. 1.

These signature styles exhibit significantly different characteristics that impact the signature-matching analysis, and by extension, the determination of whether signatures are genuine. For example, kinematic features of signatures, such as size, velocity, changes of acceleration, and pen pressure are important in determining whether a signature is genuine. Yet these kinematic features vary between the same individual's signatures, with the degree of variations often dependent on the signature style. The kinematic features of stylized signatures, for example, vary more significantly than the kinematic features of text-based signatures. And the less legible a signature becomes, the more the election official depends on their pattern recognition ability. Thus, signature styles can have an impact on the determination of genuineness or non-genuineness. Unfamiliarity with the different signature styles may impact a reviewer's ability to determine whether two signatures come from the same person, and would likely cause a lay person to decide that the compared signatures exhibit "differences" when the changes in features are simply "variations."

46. To determine whether signatures are made by the same individual, a reviewer should focus on holistic features of signatures, such as alignment, slant, pen lifts, rhythm, the size of writing, the slope or slant of the letters, or other characteristics that are diagnostic of the process used to create signatures. These features are subtle, and a writer is usually unaware of the features, as they are excited

by the writer's subconscious motor program. These subtle features provide significant evidence of genuineness because they occur in natural handwriting. Lay persons, however, often focus instead on more eye-catching features in evaluating signatures. For example, an eye-tracking study on signature examination found that "lay participants focused to a greater extent on individual features such as arches, eyelets, hooks, shoulders, connections, troughs, or other individual features" that catch the eye, and "appear[ed] less likely to use holistic features."<sup>22</sup> But focusing on these eye-catching features is problematic because these are the types of features that a simulator will try to capture. Properly utilizing the subtle, holistic features of signatures to determine genuineness, however, requires both training and adequate time for review.

**v. Texas election officials are not tested for form blindness, increasing the risk of erroneous signature match determinations.**

47. A laypersons' ability to make consistently correct determinations as to the genuineness of a signature may also be impacted by a condition known as "form blindness," which impairs "the ability to see minute differences in angles, forms, and sizes."<sup>23</sup> Most ophthalmologists agree that form perception is not an eye problem but

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<sup>22</sup> Merlino, *supra* note 9.

<sup>23</sup> Bertram, D. (2009). Univ. of S. Miss. *Form Blindness Testing: Assessing the Ability to Perform Latent Print Examination by Traditional Versus Nontraditional Students* Dissertations. 996, p. 33; Byrd, J. & Bertram, D. (2003). Form-Blindness. *Journal of Forensic Identification*, 53(3):315-341.

rather a translational problem. That is, “it is a perceptual inability to distinguish the small differences between shapes, colors, and patterns.”<sup>24</sup> Therefore, in most cases, form blindness goes undetected, but diminishes a reviewer’s ability to make accurate determinations of a signature’s genuineness.<sup>25</sup> And while FDEs must pass a form blindness test<sup>26</sup> before being trained in handwriting identification, Texas requires no such test for election officials. There is thus a risk that some election officials have form blindness and are particularly prone to making erroneous signature determinations.

**B. Even trained FDEs are likely to make erroneous signature comparison determinations under Texas’s signature matching procedures.**

48. Even for trained FDEs, Texas’s signature matching process would be prone to erroneous determinations due to the limited number of comparison signatures and the lack of proper equipment.

49. Normally, FDEs require multiple specimen signatures for comparison with a questioned signature, and often more if issues such as age or illness are involved. These specimens are required to adequately determine the range of variation of the writer and properly account for the reasons for variation within an

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<sup>24</sup> Moody, Meredith G., “*Form-Blindness and Its Implications: A Verification Study*” (2016); Honors Theses; Paper 388.

<sup>25</sup> *Id.*, p. 32.

<sup>26</sup> Osborn, A.S.(1946). *Questioned Document Problems* 2<sup>nd</sup>. Ed., Boyd Printing Company, pp. 231-250.

individual's signatures discussed above. Indeed, no two complex, skillfully written, genuine signatures of one writer have ever been found to be exactly alike, but such a statement should be understood to be true speaking microscopically, and not as the carpenter measures<sup>27</sup>. This is so because signatures are the product of a motor program developed in the brain after practice and then executed with neuro-muscular coordination, and many factors can influence an individual's motor program and neuro-muscular coordination, including the factors discussed above. Inadequate standards, or failure to use adequate specimens fully representing the range of variation in a writer's signature, is well-known source of error.<sup>28</sup>

50. Features observed in the questioned signature(s) may not be observed in the inadequate specimens. This may lead to an erroneous interpretation of a feature as a difference (two writers) or variation (one writer). Because Texas election officials are only required to compare the signature on the mail-in ballot application or ballot return envelope with one reference signature, they cannot distinguish accurately between features, variations, or differences.

51. Furthermore, in many instances, Texas election officials may compare a voter's original "wet-ink" signature on the mail-in ballot application or ballot return

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<sup>27</sup> Osborn, A. (1910). *Questioned Documents*. The Lawyers' Publishing Co.,: Rochester, NY, p. 281.

<sup>28</sup> Huber, R.A. & Headrick, A.M. (1999). *Handwriting Identification: Facts and Fundamentals*. Boca Raton, FL: CRC Press.



envelope with electronic copies of the signature on the mail-in ballot application or ballot return envelope.

52. Comparing a digitized signature with an original “wet-ink” signature has many inherent limitations, some of which are caused by the resolution of the digitized signature, whether the digitized signature is being viewed on a monitor or as a printed item, and the writing instruments used for each signature. If the resolution on monitor is low, or if the digitized signature is a poor copy of the original signature to begin with, this would make it very difficult for an untrained examiner to assess the line quality of the signature.

53. Finally, as discussed above, Texas does not require election officials to use or be provided with proper equipment, such as magnification and lighting equipment. “[T]he microscope is the instrument which makes it possible to see physical evidence directly that otherwise may be invisible. . . .”<sup>29</sup> Without this type of equipment, even a well-trained eye may make errors in a signature authenticity determination.

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<sup>29</sup> Osborn, A. S. (1929). *Questioned Documents*. 2nd. Ed. Boyd Printing Company, Albany, N.Y., USA.

## V. CONCLUSION

54. Based on the studies cited above<sup>30</sup> laypersons had significantly higher error rates than experts in determining signature authenticity. These tests were conducted under conditions where the participants had adequate specimens, lighting, time, and examination equipment. For the reasons stated herein, it is my professional opinion that there is a high likelihood that Texas election officials will make erroneous signature match determinations given the limited specimens, time, and equipment that they will have to conduct the signature verifications.

55. In particular, Texas election officials are significantly more likely to erroneously conclude that authentic signatures are *not* genuine than they are to make the opposite error—to accept inauthentic signatures as genuine. These erroneous determinations result from the inherent difficulty in making reliable signature authenticity determinations, particularly where, as here, the reviewer lacks training, is provided with an insufficient number of comparison signatures, and does not have access to proper equipment. The use of digitized signatures as a reference sample for comparison with an original “wet-ink” signature will most likely exacerbate the error rate. In this context, Texas’s signature matching procedures are all but guaranteed to result in the erroneous rejection of mail-in ballots.

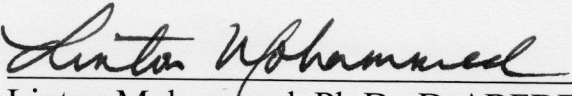
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<sup>30</sup> *Supra* notes 4, 5, 6, 8.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the forgoing is true and correct.

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ELECTIONS ADMINISTRATOR, and  
PERLA LARA in her official capacity as  
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#### **Forensic Science Consultants, Inc., 01/2012 - present**

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- *Likelihood Approach and Document Examination: What For?*
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- *The Examination of Skillfully Simulated Arabic Signatures*
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- *Document Examination in the USA*
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- *Skillful Freehand Signature Simulation* - co-presented with Lloyd Cunningham at the Joint Meeting of the American Society of Questioned Documents Examiners, Inc. & the Australasian Society of Forensic Document Examiners, Inc., Honolulu, HI 2014.
- *Skillfully Simulated Signatures (1/2 day)* – presented at the European Network of Forensic Handwriting Examiners (ENFHEX) meeting, Riga, Latvia, 2013.
- *Signature Examination of Healthy and Impaired Writers (1 day)* - co-presented with Prof. Michael Caligiuri, UCSD, at the American Academy of Forensic Sciences Annual Conference, Washington DC, 2013.

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  - Co-presented with Prof. Michael Caligiuri, UCSD, at the 70<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of the American Society of Questioned Document Examiners, Charleston, SC 2012.
  
- *Signature Examination - Translating Basic Science into Practice* (1 day)
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  - Co-presented with Prof. Michael Caligiuri, UCSD at the American Society of Questioned Document Examiners 68<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting, Victoria, BC, Canada, 2010.
  
- *Genuine, Disguised, and Forged Signatures* (1/2 day)
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1. Do, D., & Mohammed, L. (2019). *An Evaluation of the Efficacy of an Electrostatic Detection Device as a Screening Tool for Latent Prints*. Presented at the 1<sup>st</sup> Joint Meeting of the European Network of Forensic Handwriting Experts (ENFHEX) and the European Fingerprint Working Group (EFP-WG), Porto Portugal; the 77<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of the American Society of Questioned Document Examiners, Cary, NC, and the California State Division of the International Association for Identification Meeting, Burlingame, CA.
  
2. Caligiuri, M., Ommen, D., Fuglsby, C., Saunders, C., Mohammed, L., Morris, J., Bird, C. (2019). *The Kinematic Modeling of FDE Writership Opinion*. Presented at the 1<sup>st</sup> Joint Meeting of the European Network of Forensic Handwriting Experts (ENFHEX) and the European Fingerprint Working Group (EFP-WG), Porto Portugal; and the 77<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of the American Society of Questioned Document Examiners, Cary, NC.
  
3. Ommen, D., Fuglsby, C., Saunders, C., Caligiuri, M., Mohammed, L., Buscaglia, J. (2019). *Pairwise Comparison Scores for Handwritten Questioned Documents*. Presented at the American Academy of Forensic Sciences 71st Annual Scientific Meeting. Baltimore, MD.

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4. Fuglsby C, Mohammed L, Saunders C, Ommen D, Buscaglia J, Caligiuri M. (2018). *FDE Conclusion Scales Parts 1 & 2: Reverend Bayes or Professor Kirk?* Presented at the 76<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the American Society of Questioned Document Examiners, Park City, UT.
5. Ommen, D., Fuglsby, C., Saunders, C., Caligiuri, M., Mohammed, L., Buscaglia, J. (2018). *Pairwise Scores for Designing Handwritten Document Comparisons*. Poster presented at Forensics @NIST, Gaithersburg, MD.
6. McClary, C., Mohammed, L., Caligiuri, M. (2018). *An Analysis of Forensic Document Examiner (FDE) Aptitude in Determining Velocity Rates of Strokes*. Presented at the American Academy of Forensic Sciences Conference, Seattle, WA.
7. Fuglsby, C., Mohammed, L., Buscaglia, J., Saunders, C. (2018). *Sufficiency and Complexity Factors in Handwriting Examination*. Presented at the Impression, Pattern, & Trace Evidence Symposium, Washington, DC.
8. Caligiuri, M., Mohammed, L. (2018). *Error Rates in Handwriting Examination*. Presented at the CSAFE Error Rates Symposium, Arlington, VA.
9. Caligiuri, M., Mohammed, L., Lanners, B. & Hunter G. (2017). *Kinematic Validation of FDE Determinations About Authorship in Handwriting Examination*. Presented at the 75<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the American Society of Questioned Document Examiners, San Diego, CA.
10. Mohammed, L. (2017). *The Kinematics of Signatures and Handwriting*. Presented at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saudi International Conference on Forensic Medicine and Sciences, Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.
11. Domitrovich, S. Judge, Seaman Kelly, J., Mohammed, L. (2017). *A Review of the Almeciga V. Center for Investigative Reporting, Inc. Decision: Analysis and Counter-Analysis*. Presented at the American Academy of Forensic Science Conference, New Orleans, LA.
12. Mohammed, L. (2016). *Document Examination – not just handwriting*. Presented to the Young Forensic Scientists Forum, American Academy of Forensic Science Conference, Las Vegas, NV.
13. Mohammed, L. (2014). *Kinematic approach to signature analysis*. Presented at the 3<sup>rd</sup>. International Workshop on Automated Forensic Handwriting Analysis, Honolulu, HI.
14. Mohammed, L. (2013). *Handwriting stroke kinematics*. Presented at the Measurement Science and Standards in Forensic Handwriting Analysis conference, NIST, Gaithersburg, MD.



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15. Mohammed, L., Found, B., Caligiuri, M., Rogers, D. (2012). *Dynamics of stroke direction in genuine and forged signatures*. Presented at the American Academy of Forensic Sciences Conference, Atlanta, GA.
16. Mohammed, L., Found, B., Caligiuri, M., Rogers, D. (2009). *Pen pressure as a discriminating feature between genuine and forged signatures* – Presented at the International Graphonomics Society Conference, Dijon, France.
17. Mohammed, L., Found, B., Caligiuri, M., Rogers, D. (2009). *Can dynamic features be used to discriminate between genuine, auto-Simulated, and simulated signatures?* - Presented at the 61st Annual Conference of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Denver, CO.
18. Mohammed, L. (2008). *Judicial challenges to expert witness testimony in the USA: The Daubert Trilogy* -Presented at the 1st. Eurasian Congress on Forensic Sciences, Istanbul, Turkey.
19. Mohammed, L., Found, B., Rogers, D. (2008). *Genuine and disguised signatures – An empirical approach* - Presented at the 60th Annual Conference of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Washington, DC.
20. Mohammed, L., Williams, D. (2006). *Preparing demonstrative charts with the use of Adobe Photomerge®* - Poster presentation, American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Seattle, WA.
21. Mohammed, L. (2005). *The Edge of Light™ Scanner* - Presented at the American Academy of Forensic Sciences Conference, New Orleans, LA.
22. Mohammed, L. (2003). *Daubert and documents* – Presented at the California Association of Criminalists Fall Conference, San Diego, CA.
23. Mohammed, L. (2003). *A standardized training program for Forensic Document Examiners – A proposal*- Presented at the 61<sup>st</sup> Annual Conference of the American Society of Questioned Document Examiners, Baltimore, MD.
24. Mohammed, L. (2001). *Demonstrative evidence and multi-media technology* - Presented at the 59<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the American Society of Questioned Document Examiners, Des Moines, IA.
25. Mohammed, L., Buglio, J., Shafer, A. (2000). *The influence of paper on the performance of the VSC-2000 spectrometer* - Presented at the 58<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the American Society of Questioned Document Examiners, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada.
26. Mohammed, L., Buglio, J. (2000). *The Association of Forensic Document Examiners* - Prepared for the 58<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the American Society of Questioned Document Examiners, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada.

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27. Mohammed, L. (1992). *Cocaine and handwriting* - presented at the 50<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the American Society of Questioned Document Examiners, Milwaukee, WI.
28. Mohammed, L. (1991). *Signature disguise in Trinidad and Tobago* - presented at the 49<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the American Society of Questioned Document Examiners, Orlando, FL.

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- American Society of Questioned Document Examiners
  - President, 2010 – 2012
  - Vice-President, 2008 – 2010
  - Treasurer, 2006 – 2008
  - Director, 2004 – 2006;
  - Annual Conference Program Chair, 2006 & 2017
  - Chair, Evaluation and Examination Committee, 2002 – 2006
  - Annual Conference Site Chair, 2002
- American Academy of Forensic Sciences
  - Fellow – Questioned Documents Section
  - Chair – Questioned Documents Section, 2016 – 2018
  - Chair – Inter-Disciplinary Symposium 2018
  - Co-Chair – Inter-Disciplinary Symposium 2017
  - Secretary – Questioned Documents Section, 2014 – 2016
- Canadian Society of Forensic Science
- Chartered Society of Forensic Sciences

## PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- Member – Academy Standards Board, 2017 –
- Member – Expert Working Group on Human Factors in Handwriting Examination, National Institute of Standards and Technology, 2015 – 2017.
- Member – Physics/Pattern Scientific Area Committee within the National Institute of Standards and Technology Organization of Scientific Area Committees (NIST/OSAC), 2014 –2016.
- Participant in the General Forensics Technology Working Group, National Institute of Justice, 2011
- Participant in Scientific Working Group on Documents (SWGDOC), 2009 – present
- Grant reviewer for the National Institute of Justice and affiliated agencies, 2009 – present

## CURRICULUM VITAE – LINTON A. MOHAMMED

- Editor - Journal of the American Society of Questioned Document Examiners
- Editorial Review Board Member:
  - Journal of Forensic Sciences
  - Forensic Science and Technology (China)
- Guest reviewer:
  - Forensic Science International
  - Science & Justice
  - Australian Journal of Forensic Science
  - Egyptian Journal of Forensic Sciences
  - Arab Journal of Forensic Sciences & Forensic Medicine
  - IEEE Transactions on Cybernetics

## CONTINUING EDUCATION

- American Society of Questioned Document Examiners, Park City, UT 2018
  - Write-On 3.0 Workshop
  - The Greatest Forger to Ever Get Caught
- American Society of Questioned Document Examiners, San Diego, CA 2017
  - Forensic Science Research: Your Mission to Propose, Innovate, and Collaborate
  - Preparing a Digital Signature File for Forensic Analysis
  - Chinese Handwriting and Signatures Workshop: Hanzi Through the Eyes of the Forensic Document Examiner
  - Write or Wrong? Bias, Decision-Making, and the Use of Contextual Information in Forensic Document Examination
- American Society of Questioned Document Examiners, Pensacola, FL 2016
  - Measuring Frequency Occurrence in Handwriting and Hand Printing Characteristics
  - Sequence of Entries Determination – New Approach to Additional Print
- American Society of Questioned Document Examiners, Toronto, Canada 2016
  - Principles of Forensic Examination of Arabic Signatures
- American Society of Questioned Document Examiners, Honolulu, HI 2014
  - Adobe - Digital Media & Evidence
- American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Seattle, WA 2014
  - Science, Law, and the Inferential Process: The Epistemology of Scientific Conclusions
- National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), Gaithersburg, MD 2013.
  - Measurement Science and Standards in Forensic Handwriting Analysis
- American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Atlanta, GA, 2012
  - Paper Fundamentals for Forensic Document Examiners
  - Digital Photography for Forensic Document Examiners

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- American Society of Questioned Document Examiners, Philadelphia, PA, 2011
  - Printing Process Identification for Forensic Document Examiners
  - Using Adobe Photoshop in a QD Workflow
- American Society of Questioned Document Examiners, Victoria, BC, Canada, 2010
  - Electronic Recording and Analysis of Handwritten Signatures & Writing
- Cedar Crest College, Allentown, PA, 2010
  - Multivariate Analysis for Forensic Scientists: Statistical Pattern Recognition for Physical Evidence Analysis and Chemometrics
- American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Denver, CO, 2009
  - Estimation of Uncertainty – Is Anyone Certain What This Means?
  - Security Documents before and After the Crime: REAL ID, Physical and Electronic Security Features, Developments in Commercial Printing Technology, and an Introduction to Counterfeit Link Analysis
- American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Washington DC, 2008
  - The Applications of Color Analysis and Light Theory in the Forensic Examination of Documents Workshop
- American Society of Questioned Document Examiners, Portland, OR 2006
  - Fine and Subtle Features of Handwriting Workshop
  - Signature Workshop
- Southeastern Association of Forensic Document Examiners, Atlanta, GA, 2006
  - Disguised and Forged Signatures Workshop
- American Academy of Forensic Sciences, New Orleans, LA, 2005
  - State of the Art Infrared and Ultraviolet Examinations of Documents by the Video Spectral Comparator
- California Criminalistics Institute, Sacramento, CA, 2005
  - Technical Writing for Criminalists
- American Board of Forensic Document Examiners, Las Vegas, NV, 2004
  - Daubert Seminar
- American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Chicago, IL, 2002
  - Note Taking for Forensic Document Examiners Workshop
- Rochester Institute of Technology, Rochester, NY, 2002:
  - Printing Process Identification and Image Analysis for Forensic Document Examiners
- Limbic Systems, Inc., Bellingham, WA, 2001:
  - Measurement of Internal Consistencies Software (MICS)

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- American Board of Forensic Document Examiners, Norcross, GA, 2000:
  - Canon Photocopier and Facsimile Training Workshop
- California Criminalistics Institute, Sacramento, CA, 2000:
  - Special Topics in Questioned Documents
- Southwestern Association of Forensic Document Examiners, Las Vegas, NV, 1999:
  - Typewriter Examination & Classification Workshop
- American Board of Forensic Document Examiners, Las Vegas, NV, 1998:
  - Examination Techniques in Handwriting & Rubber Stamp Cases Seminar
- Canadian Society of Forensic Science 44<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada, 1997:
  - Digital Image Processing Workshop
- California Criminalistics Institute, Sacramento, CA, 1997:
  - Courtroom Presentation of Evidence
- American Society of Questioned Document Examiners 55<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, Scottsdale, AZ, 1997:
  - Handwriting Workshop
- American Society of Questioned Document Examiners 51<sup>st</sup> Annual Conference, Ottawa, Canada, 1993:
  - Laser Printer Workshop
  - Miscellaneous Document Examination Workshop
- American Society of Questioned Document Examiners 50<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, Milwaukee, WI, 1992:
  - Signature Workshop
- American Society of Questioned Document Examiners 49<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, Orlando, FL, 1991:
  - Canon Fax Workshop
  - Deposition Testimony Workshop
  - Expert Witness Workshop
  - Signature Comparison Workshop

October 1, 2019

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
SAN ANTONIO DIVISION**

DR. GEORGE RICHARDSON, ROSALIE  
WEISFELD, AUSTIN JUSTICE  
COALITION, COALITION OF TEXANS  
WITH DISABILITIES, MOVE TEXAS  
CIVIC FUND, LEAGUE OF WOMEN  
VOTERS OF TEXAS, and AMERICAN GI  
FORUM OF TEXAS, INC.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

TEXAS SECRETARY OF STATE,  
TRUDY HANCOCK, in her official  
capacity as BRAZOS COUNTY  
ELECTIONS ADMINISTRATOR, and  
PERLA LARA in her official capacity as  
CITY OF MCALLEN, TEXAS  
SECRETARY, Defendants.

Civil Case No. 5:19-cv-00963

**DECLARATION OF DR. LINTON A. MOHAMMED**

**EXHIBIT B**



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## TRIAL AND DEPOSITION RECORD (from 2013 to present)

Date	Court <sup>1</sup>	Case	Attorney	P/D <sup>2</sup>
05/14/13	Deposition (LA)	Isakulyan v. Union Bank	Schufreider	D
05/24/13	Arbitration (LA)	Isakulyan v. Union Bank	Schufreider	D
07/16/13	Trial (LA)	Giedd v. Cornell	Roberson	D
08/26/13	Deposition (SF)	Tan v. Tran et al.	Kunnes; Jones	D
08/28/13	Deposition (LA)	SA Challenger v. Kamen et al	Coyner	D
09/26/13	Arbitration (LA)	SA Challenger v. Kamen et al	Coyner	D
12/02/13	Trial (SJ)	Cain Family Trust	Clayton	P
01/15/14	Hearing (Sonoma County)	Larch v. Cream	Kim	D
03/24/14	Trial (SJ)	Torres v. Torres	Acosta	P
04/02/14	Deposition (SF)	Cybersearch v. Sherwood	Gantz	P
05/15/14	Trial (SM)	Tan et al. v. Tran et al.	Veiluva; Jones	D
07/08/14	Grand Jury (SF)	People v. Bell et al.	Garcia	P
07/09/14	Trial (SJ)	Rodriguez v. Sanchez	Low	P
08/05/14	Trial (LA)	Stevens v. Stevens	Grot; LaMolinara	P
09/08/14	Deposition (SF)	Hill et al. v. Wilke Fleury et al.	Evans	D

<sup>1</sup> SD – San Diego; LA – Los Angeles; LV – Las Vegas; SF – San Francisco; SJ – San Jose

<sup>2</sup> P – Plaintiff/Prosecution; D – Defense

**TRIAL AND DEPOSITION RECORD (from 2011 to present):**  
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<b>Date</b>	<b>Court <sup>3</sup></b>	<b>Case</b>	<b>Attorney</b>	<b>P/D<sup>4</sup></b>
09/23/14	Trial (SJ)	People v. Wantland	Kirchick	D
01/08-09/15	Hearing	BART		P
02/09/15	Deposition	Yaqub v. Citimortgage	Paganelli	D
11/05/15	Deposition San Mateo, CA	Geiger v. Farmers Ins. et al	Halvorson	D
12/11/15	Trial Dept. 67, Los Angeles, CA	Estate of S. Sengupta	Mansell	D
05/10/16	Deposition (SF)	Duong v. ITT et al.	Schwin	P
05/13/16	Trial Yuba City, CA	Zenda v. Shoker	Guth	D
07/12/16	Deposition Utah (Telephonic)	Matter of Dante Ketchens	Noel	P
08/04/16	Deposition (CA)	Spight v. Gray	Norris	P
08/30/16	Deposition (CA)	Estate of Mary Ellen Cunha San Rafael, CA	Kelley	D
08/31/16	Deposition (CA)	Matter of Lili Tu	Riley	D
09/20-21/16	Trial San Mateo, CA	Spight v. Gray	Norris	P
01/20/17	Trial Dept. 37, Santa Clara, CA Judge Andrea Flint	People v. Melendez	McComas	D
02/22/17	Trial Dept. 4, Santa Cruz, CA Judge John Gallagher	Estate of Daren Drakes	Nelson	P

<sup>3</sup> SD – San Diego; LA – Los Angeles; LV – Las Vegas; SF – San Francisco; SJ – San Jose; SM – San Mateo

<sup>4</sup> P – Plaintiff/Petitioner/Prosecution; D – Defense

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<b>Date</b>		<b>Court <sup>5</sup></b>	<b>CaseAttorney</b>	<b>P/D<sup>6</sup></b>
03/13/17	Deposition Redwood City, CA	Goldstein v. Macalik	Kallis	D
04/03/17	Deposition Los Angeles, CA	Galstian et. al v. Minassian et. al	Swift	P
04/04/17	FINRA Arbitration San Diego, CA	Peters v. RBC Wealth Management et. al.	Caietti	P
06/29/17	Trial Dept. 23, San Mateo, CA Judge W. Raymond Swope	Goldstein v. Macalik	Kallis	D
07/13/17	Deposition San Jose, CA	Nguyen v. Diep	Goldstein	D
07/26/17	Deposition Burlingame, CA	New v. Langit	Rodriguez	P
07/27/17	Deposition San Mateo, CA	Estate of Beverly Foster	Baer	P
08/24/17	Deposition Los Angeles, CA	Shahryar v. Kamrany	Lichter/ Salissian	P
09/07/17	Arbitration Los Angeles, CA	Schwartz v. Piccone	Russell	P
09/26/17	Trial Dept. 5, Santa Barbara, CA Judge Colleen Sterne	Estate of John Smith Clark	Hellman	P
10/31/17	Trial Dept. 22 Santa Clara, CA Judge Aaron Persky	Estate of William W. Parker	Dames	P

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<b>Date</b>	<b>Court <sup>7</sup></b>	<b>Case</b>	<b>Attorney</b>	<b>P/D<sup>8</sup></b>
01/04/18	Deposition San Mateo, CA	Doe v. County of San Mateo	Levy	D
02/23/18	Hearing Probate Hearings Division U.S. Dept. of the Interior Albuquerque, NM Judge Earl J. Waits	Estate of Earl A. Williams	Artus	P
02/26/18	Deposition Fairfield, CA	Goss v. Folan	Seto/Burnside	D
02/28/18	Deposition Burlingame, CA (via video)	Saucedo v. State of New Hampshire	ACLU	P
03/01/18	Deposition San Jose, CA	Katz et al. v. Kwan et al.	Hsueh	D
03/14/18	Trial Department K Los Angeles Superior Court Pasadena, CA Judge Theresa Traber	Marriage of Hidalgo	Mendell	R
04/20/18	Deposition Danville, CA	Marta v. Applebees	May	P
04/23/18	Trial Department 16 San Mateo Superior Court San Mateo, CA Judge Richard H. Dubois	Matter of The Beverly Foster Trust	Baer	P
05/10/18	Deposition San Francisco, CA	Mahan et al. v. Chan et al.	Zeff	D
06/15/18	Trial Department 504 Probate San Diego Superior Court San Diego, CA Judge Jeffrey S. Bostwick	Estate of George R. Walls, Jr.	McDonald	P

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<sup>8</sup> P – Plaintiff/Petitioner/Prosecution; D – Defense

**TRIAL AND DEPOSITION RECORD (from 2011 to present):**  
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<b>Date</b>	<b>Court <sup>9</sup></b>	<b>Case</b>	<b>Attorney</b>	<b>P/D<sup>10</sup></b>
08/06/18	Trial Dept. 5A U.S. District Court Los Angeles, CA Judge Michael W. Fitzgerald	Lincoln Benefit Life Company v. Dallal	Cowan/ Kojima	P
08/29/18	Deposition Alameda, CA	Neth v. Byrne	Perruzzi	D
09/18/18	Deposition St. Louis, MO	Priorities USA et al v. State of Missouri et al.	Geise	P
09/24/18	Trial Room 203 Cole County District Court Jefferson City, MO Hon. Richard Callahan	Priorities USA et al v. State of Missouri et al.	Geise	P
10/04/18	Deposition Los Angeles, CA	Baral v. Schnitt	Kushner	D
10/12/18	Deposition Sunnyvale, CA	Chen v. Murad	Garsson	D
10/16/18	Deposition Los Angeles, CA	Rostack v. Sabella	Chang	P
11/01/18	Deposition Santa Rosa, CA	Ramos, Creedon v. Wallahan	Terreri	P
11/05/18	Trial Dept. 57 Los Angeles Superior Court Los Angeles, CA Judge Randolph M. Hammock	Baral v. Schnitt	Kushner	D
11/20/18	Deposition Austin, TX	Galvan, et al v. Pablos, et al	Najvar	P
12/03/18	Hearing Sacramento, CA	CDCR v Pratt	Tanner	P

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<b>Date</b>	<b>Court</b> <sup>11</sup>	<b>Case</b>	<b>Attorney</b>	<b>P/D</b> <sup>12</sup>
12/04/18	Trial Dept. 18 Sonoma County Superior Court Judge Rene Auguste Chouteau	Ramos, Creedon v. Wallahan	Terreri	P
03/05/19	Trial Probate Court Anchorage, AK (By telephone)	Estate of Earl A. Williams	Artus	P
04/02/19	Trial U.S. District Court Los Angeles, CA Dept. 10C Judge Christina A. Snyder	United States v. L. Vega	Windsor	D
04/04/19	Trial Alameda County Superior Court Hayward, CA Dept. 514 Judge Patrick McKinney	Eden Housing Management, Inc. v. H. Gamer	Galvin	P
06/26/19	Trial Polk County District Court Des Moines, IA Dept. 208 Judge Joseph Seidlin	League of United Latin American Citizens of Iowa, et al v. Iowa Secretary of State Paul Pate, in his official capacity		P
07/17/19	Trial Santa Clara Superior Court San Jose, CA Dept. 12 Judge Cynthia C. Lie	Jacobs v. Ramachandran	Marks	P
10/24/19	Trial Santa Clara Superior Court San Jose, CA Dept. 3 Judge Patricia Lucas	Pesic v. Zouves	Goodman	D

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<b>Date</b>	<b>Court</b> <sup>13</sup>	<b>Case</b>	<b>Attorney</b>	<b>P/D</b> <sup>14</sup>
12/19/19	Deposition Los Angeles, CA	Shenon v. New York Life	Shea	D
12/19/19	Hearing (by telephone) Judge Garcia JAMS San Francisco, CA	Eden Housing Management v. Richardson	Gavin	P

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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
SAN ANTONIO DIVISION**

DR. GEORGE RICHARDSON, ROSALIE  
WEISFELD, AUSTIN JUSTICE  
COALITION, COALITION OF TEXANS  
WITH DISABILITIES, MOVE TEXAS  
CIVIC FUND, LEAGUE OF WOMEN  
VOTERS OF TEXAS, and AMERICAN GI  
FORUM OF TEXAS, INC.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

TEXAS SECRETARY OF STATE,  
TRUDY HANCOCK, in her official  
capacity as BRAZOS COUNTY  
ELECTIONS ADMINISTRATOR, and  
PERLA LARA in her official capacity as  
CITY OF MCALLEN, TEXAS  
SECRETARY, Defendants.

Civil Case No. 5:19-cv-00963

**DECLARATION OF DR. LINTON A. MOHAMMED**

**EXHIBIT C**

AW5-42  
Prescribed by Secretary of State  
Sec. 87.0431, Texas Election Code  
3/07

# NOTICE OF REJECTED BALLOT

This is to serve as notice that your ballot for the General 2018 Election was rejected by the early voting ballot board and was not counted.

Name of Voter

VOID Number

George Adams Richardson  
1040885456

Reason for Rejection: (Check As Appropriate)

- ☐ 1) Certificate on carrier envelope was not properly executed.
  - ☐ You failed to sign your signature or make your mark.
  - ☐ The witness failed to indicate on the envelope that you could not make a mark.
  - ☐ The assistant or witness failed to print their name.
  - ☐ The assistant or witness failed to sign their name.
  - ☐ The residence address of the assistant or witness was not given.
- ☒ 2) It was determined that the signature on the application for ballot by mail and carrier envelope was not signed by the same person.
- ☐ 3) Application for ballot by mail did not state a legal ground for voting by mail.
- ☐ 4) Voter registration records indicated you did not have an effective registration for this election.
- ☐ 5) Address to which ballot was mailed was not outside the county. Voting early by mail due to expected absence from the county requires balloting materials be mailed to an address outside the county.
- ☐ 6) The residence address on the statement of residence is not located in the political subdivision conducting the election.
- ☐ 7) The mailing address on the application for ballot by mail did not match your voter registration address nor did the mailing address match any addresses provided on your statement of residence. Since you did not indicate on your application for a ballot by mail that you were having your ballot mailed to a hospital, retirement center, long term care facility, nursing home, jail, or a relative, your ballot was rejected.
- ☐ 8) The statement of residence was not included in the carrier envelope.
- ☐ 9) No identification was included with your mail ballot.
- ☐ 10) Other: \_\_\_\_\_

RW Davis  
Signature of Early Voting Ballot Board Judge

Date

11/3/2018

**Ballot By Mail Request Form**

Registration Address  
 George Adams Richardson  
 4070 Sweetwater Dr  
 College Station, TX 77845

**OFFICE USE ONLY**  
 Voter ID: 1040885456  
 Precinct: 2



I am over 65 years of age and requesting an **Annual Ballot By Mail** to receive a ballot for all elections in 2018, including any **Democratic Party** elections, local elections, and the November 2018 General Election. Mail my ballots to the address indicated above (unless noted otherwise below).

**SIGNATURE (FIRMA)** *George Adams Richardson*

*Must be signed. Do not print. If you cannot sign, make a mark and have witness fill out the box to the right.*

I certify that the information given in this application is true, and I understand that giving false information in this application is a crime.

If you are not able to receive ballots at the address where you are registered to vote, the ballot may be mailed to an alternate address. This address may only be one of the following. Check which address you are using:

- ☐ A hospital, nursing home, retirement center or other long-term care facility.  
☐ The address of a person related to applicant. Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Mailing Address listed on applicant's voter registration card.

Mailing Address  
 George Richardson  
 4070 Sweetwater Dr  
 College Station, TX 77845

Address where ballot  
 should be sent, if different:  
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## BRAZOS COUNTY

November 26, 2018

Mr. George Richardson  
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RE: Ballot By Mail

Dear Mr. Richardson:

I saw in The Eagle that you had some concerns of how your ballot by mail was qualified for the November 6 General Election. I understand that you were upset but I want to assure you that we follow the Texas Election Code in the processes of qualifying a ballot that is received in the mail.

The early voting ballot board is comprised of individuals appointed by both parties. A team of two volunteers from opposite parties work together. The team compares the signature on the courier envelope to the signature on the application for ballot by mail to determine if the person that voted and returned the ballot is the same person who requested it. It is up to that team to make the determination if the signatures are similar enough to accept the ballot. This is the procedure that is set up in the Texas Election Code.

I hope this explanation helps ease your confusion and frustration with voting by mail. I have enclosed a copy of your application for ballot by mail and your courier envelope.

If you should have any questions, please feel free to contact me at any time.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Trudy Hancock", written in a cursive style.

Trudy R. Hancock, REO, CERA  
Elections Administrator

Enc.

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I certify that the enclosed ballot expresses my wishes independent of any dictation or undue persuasion by any person. (Certifico que la boleta adjunta expresa mis deseos independientemente de ningún dictado o persuasión indebida por parte de cualquier persona.)

# SEAL ENVELOPE AND SIGN OVER SEALED FLAP

(SELLE EL SOBRE Y FIRME ENCIMA DE SOLAPA DEL SOBRE)

X George A. Richardson  
SIGNATURE OR MARK OF VOTER (FIRMA O MARCA DEL VOTANTE)


**Instructions to Assistant:** A voter may only be assisted with reading or marking the ballot if they have a physical disability that renders them unable to write or see, or have an inability read the language in which the ballot is written. If you are assisting the voter, you must read the oath and complete the section below, before assisting the voter. (Instrucciones al Asistente: Un votante puede recibir ayuda para leer o llenar la boleta solamente si el votante tiene una discapacidad física la cual le impide escribir o ver, o si no tiene la habilidad de leer el lenguaje en el cual la boleta está escrita. Si usted le proporcionará ayuda a un votante, usted debe leer el juramento y llenar la siguiente sección abajo, antes de asistir al votante.)

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FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
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WITH DISABILITIES, MOVE TEXAS	)	
CIVIC FUND, LEAGUE OF WOMEN	)	
VOTERS OF TEXAS, AND AMERICAN	)	
GI FORUM OF TEXAS, INC.,	)	
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Plaintiffs,	)	
vs.	)	No. 5:19-cv-00963
	)	
TEXAS SECRETARY OF STATE,	)	
TRUDY HANCOCK, IN HER OFFICIAL	)	
CAPACITY AS BRAZOS COUNTY	)	
ELECTIONS ADMINISTRATOR AND	)	
PERLA LARA IN HER OFFICIAL	)	
CAPACITY AS CITY OF MCALLEN,	)	
TEXAS SECRETARY,	)	
	)	
Defendants.	)	
_____	)	

Remote Videotaped Oral Deposition of

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1 BE IT REMEMBERED that on Monday, May 4, 2020,  
2 commencing at the hour of 11:17 a.m., via remote  
3 videoconferencing, before me, KIMBERLEE SCHROEDER, a  
4 Certified Shorthand Reporter in and for the State of  
5 Texas and the State of California, duly authorized to  
6 administer oaths pursuant to Section 30(c) of the  
7 Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and the Texas Rules of  
8 Civil Procedure, personally appeared.

9 LINTON A. MOHAMMED, PhD,  
10 called as a witness herein by the Defendants, who,  
11 having been duly sworn, was thereupon examined as  
12 hereinafter set forth.



## P R O C E E D I N G S

Monday, May 4th, 2020

11:17 a.m.

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THE REPORTER: This is the deposition of Linton Mohammed in the matter of Dr. George Richardson, Rosalie Weisfeld, Austin Justice Coalition, Coalition of Texans with Disabilities, Move Texas Civic Fund, League of Women Voters of Texas, and American GI Forum of Texas, Inc. v. Texas Secretary of State, Trudy Hancock, in her official capacity as Brazos County Elections Administrator and Perla Lara in her official capacity as City of McAllen, Texas Secretary.

We are appearing via remote videoconferencing due to the COVID-19 Pandemic. We are on the record at 11:17 a.m. My name is Kimberlee Schroeder, and I am the Certified Shorthand Reporter, reporting for Integrity Legal Support Solutions, P.O. Box 245, Manchaca, Texas 78652.

Would all persons present please introduce themselves for the record?

MS. MACKIN: This is Anna Mackin with the Texas Attorney General's Office, and I represent the defendant Texas Secretary of State.

MR. MIRZA: This is Hani Mirza with the Texas Civil Rights Project, and I represent the plaintiffs in

1 in this case.

2 MR. COX: Ryan Cox, also on behalf of  
3 plaintiffs.

4 MR. KALAR: This is Samuel Kalar of the law  
5 firm Willkie, Farr & Gallagher, also on behalf of the  
6 plaintiffs.

7 MS. SURIANI: This is JoAnna Suriani, also of  
8 the law firm Willkie, Farr & Gallagher, on behalf of  
9 plaintiffs.

10 MR. TAWIL: This is Isaac Tawil representing  
11 Perla Lara in her individual capacity as Secretary of  
12 the City of McAllen.

13 MR. MIRZA: I don't think there's anybody else  
14 on plaintiffs' side.

15 THE REPORTER: Mr. Dolling or...

16 Should I just swear in the witness if they're  
17 shy?

18 MR. MIRZA: Yes.

19 THE REPORTER: Okay. Sir, would you raise  
20 your right hand to be sworn?

21 THE WITNESS: Yes.

22 LINTON A. MOHAMMED, PhD,  
23 after being first duly sworn remotely by the Certified  
24 Shorthand Reporter, was examined and testified as  
25 follows:

1 examination are tested for form-blindness. And if you  
2 -- if they don't pass, then they don't go any further.

3 But to answer your question, no one knows.

4 **Q. All right. Jumping ahead to paragraph 28.**  
5 **This is where the bulk of your citations begin. At**  
6 **footnote 3, Mr. Hilton's 1965 article in The Journal of**  
7 **Criminal Law, Criminology and Political [sic] Science**  
8 **called "A further look at writing standards."**

9 You cited that authority for the proposition  
10 that, at a minimum, 10 sample signatures are usually  
11 required for an accurate signature determination.

12 A. Yes.

13 **Q. Is 10 signatures still the standard in the FDE**  
14 **community for determining whether signatures were**  
15 **executed by the same person?**

16 A. Generally, people tend to ask for 15 to 20.

17 When Mr. Hilton wrote this, you had more  
18 people in the community who were trained to write, and  
19 they had better-quality signatures. In today's world  
20 where people are not taught to write, you're going to  
21 get more variation in signatures. So you tend to  
22 require more specimen signatures.

23 For example, people back to Dr. Richardson's  
24 case, if I got a case like that, if one of the  
25 signatures are questioned, I would ask for specimen

1 signatures. Depending if he was a medical doctor  
2 signing prescriptions, I would ask for specimen  
3 signatures of him writing more formal documents because  
4 of what's called, it's called a range of variation.

5 And I can give you an example of a range of  
6 variation. Let's say, you know, you are in a garden or  
7 if you're in the house doing something and someone comes  
8 to the door with a FedEx package, especially in these  
9 times, you know.

10 **Q. I was going to say, that happens a lot lately.**

11 A. Right. Exactly. You probably give them a  
12 very scribbled signature using a stylus on a substrate.

13 Let's say times have improved, and afterwards,  
14 you go down to your attorney's office to sign your last  
15 will and testament. The signature on the FedEx -- the  
16 FedEx courier got and the signature on your last will  
17 and testament, they may represent your range of  
18 variation. Generally, you sign something somewhere  
19 between those each time you sign.

20 So that's why you need to get not just ten  
21 signatures, but ten contemporaneous signatures, and ten  
22 signatures that are on like documents.

23 MR. MIRZA: I just want to note for the record  
24 the citations name is The Journal of Criminal Law,  
25 Criminology, and Police Science.

1 MS. MACKIN: Oh, I'm sorry. Thank you for  
2 that. That's a strange Freudian slip. I didn't study  
3 government, nothing like that.

4 Q. Okay. Moving down to paragraph 30,  
5 Dr. Mohammed, you note that a signature comparison may  
6 normally take a minimum of two hours.

7 A. Yes.

8 Q. A comparison for what purpose?

9 A. In my field, I have to talk about a forensic  
10 examination of signatures.

11 Q. Okay.

12 A. So I have to compare the signatures. I have  
13 to sketch the signatures out, go through my checklists  
14 and look for the various species to see what's similar,  
15 what's dissimilar, look at the line quality. Several  
16 things like that. So a minimum two hours, normally  
17 about four hours.

18 Q. In this case, in looking at Dr. Richardson's  
19 signature, you mentioned a moment ago that it only took  
20 you a few minutes to look at those two signatures; is  
21 that right?

22 A. That's correct.

23 Q. And how are you able to make your  
24 determination so quickly?

25 A. Well, they were -- they were pictorially dis-

1 considered whether laypeople and forensic document  
2 examiners were -- strike that. Sorry, I did not ask  
3 that very well.

4 Do any other studies separate these types of  
5 signature-matching errors into Type I and Type II in the  
6 same way that this 2001 Kam study did?

7 A. The only other study might have been  
8 Dr. Merlino's study, which was further on this -- in  
9 this document.

10 Q. Okay.

11 A. The study mentioned in chapter 36 looked at  
12 the error rates between laypersons and the FDEs, but  
13 didn't specify further about Type II or Type I errors.

14 Q. And just to be clear, you mentioned the --  
15 actually, that's fine. We'll cover that. All right.

16 In paragraph 36, second to the last sentence  
17 says, "It must be noted that these error rates occurred  
18 when adequate signature samples and examination time  
19 were available."

20 What do you mean by "adequate signature  
21 samples" in this paragraph?

22 A. I'm sorry, is that the second to the last  
23 paragraph?

24 Q. The last --

25 A. The second to the last sentence?



1           **Q.    Yes.  Yes, sir.**

2           A.    Okay.  Right.  So in the Australian case, they  
3   had the adequate amount of signature samples, at least  
4   10 I would think, and they had enough time to do the  
5   comparisons.  In fact, they had as much time as they  
6   required.

7                    So if -- if these are the error rates when you  
8   have optimum conditions, considering they're using  
9   copies and so on, if you reduce the amount of standard  
10   specimens and you reduce the amount of time available,  
11   then this, presumably, the error rates will be bigger.

12           **Q.    Do you know what question the participants in**  
13 **the study cited in footnote 7 were asked?**

14           A.    Similarly -- again, similar to the study  
15   above, they were given genuine signatures and simulated  
16   signatures, and they were asked to compare them with  
17   specimen signatures of the individuals concerned.  And  
18   just simply asked if they were genuine or non-genuine to  
19   some degree of confidence.

20           **Q.    And so did it ask the participants to evaluate**  
21 **the signatures using the standard for expressing**  
22 **conclusions of forensic document examiners?**

23           A.    It would have been a conclusion of that.  I  
24   would think it probably used maybe a 5-point scale with  
25   wrote, probably wrote, inconclusive, probably did not

1 as Type I or Type II; is that right?

2 A. That's correct. I just gave basic error rates  
3 between the FDEs and the laypersons. They did not give  
4 a further breakdown into Type I and Type II. That is  
5 correct.

6 Q. Moving on to the next page, page 15, paragraph  
7 39 begins, "To make such a judgment reliably requires,  
8 at a minimum," then it lists a few items below that.

9 What do you mean by "such a judgment" in this  
10 context?

11 A. The such a judgment would be did someone write  
12 the signature or did they not write the signature.

13 Q. Okay.

14 A. That's -- that's the judgment I think the  
15 election officials are being asked to make.

16 Q. Okay.

17 A. The FDEs are being asked to make as well.

18 Q. So when you're thinking about a judgment on a  
19 signature comparison, are you thinking of it in terms of  
20 a forensic judgment with the requisite degree of  
21 certainty that you would want to have as a forensic  
22 document examiner?

23 A. Yes. If I'm going to say that something is  
24 genuine or non-genuine, I would need to have all of the  
25 factors considered -- all the factors and all the

1 between two signatures, that doesn't necessarily mean  
2 that someone comparing the two will determine that  
3 they're not a match; does it?

4 MR. MIRZA: Objection. Form.

5 THE WITNESS: No. In fact -- in fact, that's  
6 why you need multiple specimen signatures because you  
7 have to determine the writer's range of variation, and  
8 then when you examine with it the questioned signature,  
9 you have to determine if any feature in that signature,  
10 let's call it the questioned signature, falls outside of  
11 the range of variation you observe in the specimen  
12 signatures.

13 And then you have to determine is that  
14 variation, extra variation, can it be reasonably  
15 explained, or is there no reasonable explanation for it.  
16 And if it's the latter, then it becomes a difference,  
17 and you're talking about two different writers.

18 MS. MACKIN: Q. All right. Thank you.

19 Let's move now to page 20. You talk in  
20 paragraph 41, which begins on page 18, about a  
21 distinction between difference and variation. And then  
22 you say at the end of paragraph 41, you say, "It is very  
23 unlikely that a Texas election official will have the  
24 knowledge, training and experience to properly account  
25 for these factors."

1 Did I read that right?

2 A. That is -- that is correct.

3 **Q. And what is your basis for that statement?**

4 A. The basis is my own training as a forensic  
5 document examiner. When I was trained -- excuse me --  
6 my continuing education, when I have trained examiners  
7 and what the examiner needs to be trained in, they need  
8 to see multiple signatures of all different types over  
9 at least 18 months to two years. They have to  
10 understand and appreciate causes of variation. Huber  
11 and Headrick mentioned 20 possible causes in their book.

12 So I doubt it very much, and please correct me  
13 if I'm wrong, that a Texas election official or any  
14 layperson will have the sort of training and experience.  
15 Even people who work in banks and see many, many  
16 signatures, even some of them don't have the proper  
17 experience to look for and assess whether there is a  
18 difference or a variation.

19 And that's -- that's the key point. Variation  
20 is one writer; difference, two writers.

21 **Q. Okay. Did you independently verify whether**  
22 **Texas election officials receive any training other than**  
23 **the 2018 handbook that you considered?**

24 A. I look at the handbook, and also -- I think I  
25 also did a Google search to see if there was anything

1 else on Texas instructions. Only one state it is done.  
2 But Colorado actually has a training manual, which is  
3 not bad at all. Still not good enough. But I cannot  
4 find anything in Texas that would talk about how the  
5 officials are trained.

6 Q. Other than the Google search, did you  
7 investigate that any further?

8 A. No.

9 Q. All right. Paragraph 42 states that,  
10 "Laypersons are significantly more likely than FDEs to  
11 incorrectly reject authentic signatures of illiterate  
12 writers." And for that proposition, you cite a 1965  
13 article by O. Hilton.

14 Is that the same article cited in note 3 of  
15 your report?

16 A. Yes. That would have been the same -- the  
17 same article.

18 Q. Did that article discuss the ability of  
19 laypersons to evaluate signatures?

20 A. It actually discusses the ability of FDEs to  
21 evaluate signatures of people who have problems --  
22 problems signing for various reasons. And it discusses  
23 the need for even more standards, specimen signatures,  
24 when writers like these are involved.

25 So the FDE would tend to know what to ask for,

1 what to look for, and then if they don't have enough  
2 material, then they would go inconclusive. A layperson  
3 may not have this knowledge, and probably will make a  
4 call -- make a call on what they see -- what they have  
5 in front of them, and they incorrectly interpret a  
6 variation as a difference.

7 Q. But I just want to make sure I'm clear.

8 This 1965 article by Hilton, it didn't  
9 specifically discuss the ability of laypersons to  
10 evaluate signatures; did it?

11 A. No. It discussed the ability -- the ability  
12 of trained examiners to examine the signatures of  
13 illiterate writers and people like that.

14 Q. All right. And then you continue that,  
15 "...writers for whom English is a second language,  
16 elderly writers, disabled writers, and writers with  
17 health conditions."

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. And for that, for all of those propositions,  
20 you have two citations. Notes 13 and 14, which are both  
21 additional articles by Hilton.

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. Okay. Did you look at anything more recent to  
24 support the assertion that laypersons are more likely  
25 than FDEs to incorrectly reject authentic signatures



1 **from these groups of people?**

2 A. No. What I based that on is that FDE -- I'm  
3 sorry. Was there an -- an objection?

4 MR. MIRZA: No.

5 THE WITNESS: Okay. Sorry. Okay.

6 What I based that sentence on was that FDEs  
7 have problems with signatures of these types of people,  
8 elderly writers, disabled writers with health  
9 conditions, and trained FDEs who know what to look for  
10 and how to assess features, and they make errors with  
11 these types of signatures, especially if they have  
12 inadequate specimens.

13 So from that, I'm extrapolating to say that if  
14 the trained FDE has made errors, then the layperson will  
15 probably make more errors based on the previous research  
16 where they used signatures of healthy signers.

17 MS. MACKIN: Q. Okay. So the article cited  
18 in notes 13 -- in notes 13 and 14 addressed the ability  
19 of FDEs to evaluate the authenticity of signatures, but  
20 not the ability of laypersons to do so; is that right.

21 A. That's correct, yes.

22 **Q. Have you done any research or published any**  
23 **studies about the ability of persons with certain health**  
24 **conditions to provide consistent signatures over time?**

25 A. The most recent, I was a co-author, was

1 signatures of people with both Alzheimer's and dementia.  
2 That was published, I think, earlier this year.

3 And the result from that was that dementia  
4 doesn't make much of a difference to the execution of  
5 signatures.

6 **Q. Have you done any other studies in a**  
7 **similar --**

8 A. No.

9 **Q. Okay. At the end of paragraph 42, you mention**  
10 **laypersons, and you reference "...laypersons' tendencies**  
11 **to err on the side of incorrectly finding authentic**  
12 **signatures to be non-genuine."**

13 A. Yes.

14 **Q. What is the basis for your statement that**  
15 **laypersons tend to err on the side of incorrectly**  
16 **finding authentic signatures to be non-genuine?**

17 A. Those are the Type II errors that we discussed  
18 earlier where the -- the person would say a genuine  
19 signature is non-genuine. The Kam study that talked  
20 about the Type II errors used, again, signatures of  
21 healthy people, but there's no issues with the  
22 handwriting or the signatures.

23 So the variation would have been more  
24 consistent on like people who are ill, elderly. The  
25 derivation would be even expanded, much greater than the

1 healthy people. So since laypersons had more issues  
2 than FDEs with healthy people, it stands to reason that  
3 they would have more issues with unhealthy people, since  
4 there's much greater variation in the signatures of  
5 unhealthy individuals.

6 Q. Now, I just want to make sure that I  
7 understand something. The three studies that you cited  
8 for that proposition -- let's see -- the Kam study from  
9 2001, the Sita study from 2002, and then the Merlino  
10 study from January of 2015.

11 For the Kam study, how -- were the  
12 participants asked to use the standard for expressing  
13 conclusions of forensic document examiners in providing  
14 their responses?

15 A. I think they would have been asked to use a  
16 condensed version, maybe nine levels, or they would have  
17 been asked to use five.

18 Q. Okay. And then the Sita study, were the  
19 participants in that study asked to use the standard for  
20 expressing conclusions of forensic document examiners in  
21 providing their responses?

22 A. Again, I don't recall offhand what they used.  
23 It would have been a similar scale. That's what they  
24 used in Australia at that time.

25 Q. All right. Then how about the Merlino study?

1 THE WITNESS: No. The inconclusives would not  
2 have counted in the data -- in the stats.

3 MS. MACKIN: Q. Okay.

4 A. Just in the forced calls, yeah.

5 Q. Thank you. I appreciate that. Thank you for  
6 bearing with me on that.

7 A. No, no. Not at all. Not at all.

8 Q. Okay. Moving on to paragraph 43, you are  
9 discussing writers for whom English is a second language  
10 and stating that they're more likely to have wide ranges  
11 of variation in their signatures.

12 What is your basis for that statement?

13 A. If you look at the first line, "Since  
14 signatures are developed as a motor program in the  
15 brain," as I mentioned before, once the signature is  
16 developed when you sign, you don't even think about it.  
17 What you're doing is done unconsciously.

18 If, for example, you write in a different  
19 language or you speak a different language, the examples  
20 I give here, for example, Chinese, where you use  
21 ideograms, or in Arabic, where they go from right to  
22 left. Now they have to go from right -- from left to  
23 right in our script.

24 So that is going to make a difference in the  
25 motor program. They have to relive the motor program

1 for the new signature. Because of that, you may find  
2 that -- you're going to find that you're going to have  
3 more variation in a signature until they learn to write  
4 this new signature properly, and that might take a few  
5 years.

6 **Q. Moving on to page 23. About halfway down the**  
7 **page, "Young writers will presumably need to sign less**  
8 **often due to the increased use of personal**  
9 **identification numbers and other non-handwritten forms**  
10 **of identification."**

11 **What is your basis for that statement?**

12 A. That's just based on my -- on my experience  
13 in -- in casework. I did look for a published piece. I  
14 couldn't find any. I don't think any research has been  
15 done. If you think, people of my age would be used to  
16 signing lots of checks and so on. So their signatures  
17 would develop more experience writing their signatures.

18 Younger people who tend to use, like,  
19 chip-and-PIN cards, things like that, don't even use  
20 checks. You find that they have less practice writing  
21 their signature. So they tend to have a less-developed  
22 signature than a person maybe 20, 30 years ago.

23 **Q. All right. Then towards the end of the**  
24 **paragraph, you state that, "This will lead to an**  
25 **increased range of variation in a young writer's**

1 **signature."**

2 **So is it the case that the less experienced**  
3 **someone is in writing their signature, the more**  
4 **variation there will be in their signature?**

5 MR. MIRZA: Objection. Form.

6 THE WITNESS: Yes. I think the less  
7 experienced they are, it will be a less -- or a more  
8 conscious effect -- effort to execute the signature. So  
9 you're going to get more variation than a person who was  
10 used to writing their signature.

11 MS. MACKIN: Q. So just to make sure I'm  
12 understanding your testimony, correct me if I'm wrong,  
13 are you saying that there's less variation in a  
14 signature once it becomes memorized to the point that  
15 the person doesn't have to think about it?

16 A. Again -- again, it depends on the -- on the  
17 individual writer. Some people have a very narrow range  
18 of variation. Some people have a very wide range of  
19 variation. So it really depends on the individual.

20 **Q. Then the next sentence says, "The handwriting**  
21 **of adolescents can cause difficulties even for trained**  
22 **FDEs." What do you mean by "adolescents" in this**  
23 **sentence?**

24 A. In this case, it will be someone between 18  
25 and 19, because, I mean, those are people who can vote.



1 I actually talk about people who are much younger, 13,  
2 14. In this context, it wouldn't have mattered that  
3 much. I can tell you from a document examiner point of  
4 view, if I'm asked to look at writing -- handwritings of  
5 people who are 12, 13, 14, my answer is no because their  
6 writing is not developed, and there's also lots of  
7 variation in there.

8 Q. Okay. Moving to page 24, at the very end of  
9 what would be paragraph 45, it states, "Unfamiliarity  
10 with the different signature styles may impact a  
11 reviewer's ability to determine whether two signatures  
12 come from the same person and would likely cause a  
13 layperson to decide that the compared signatures exhibit  
14 differences when the changes in features are simply  
15 variations."

16 What is your basis for that statement?

17 A. Well, let's go back up to page 23, paragraph  
18 45. So you can see there the three images of three  
19 different styles of signatures.

20 Q. Yes.

21 A. So for the first style where it's text-based,  
22 people can read that. The second part, partially  
23 text-based, partially stylized. And then the third one  
24 is totally stylized. But a totally stylized signature  
25 is purely a pattern. The mixed style signature is

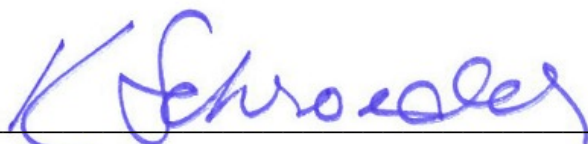
1 STATE OF TEXAS )

2 REPORTER'S CERTIFICATION

3 I, KIMBERLEE SCHROEDER, CSR, RPR, CCRR,  
4 Certified Shorthand Reporter for the State of Texas,  
5 License No. 10925 and the State of California, License  
6 No. 11414, hereby certify that the witness was duly  
7 sworn and that this transcript is a true record of the  
8 testimony given by the witness.

9 I further certify that I am neither counsel  
10 for, related to, nor employed by any of the parties or  
11 attorneys in the action in which this proceeding was  
12 taken. Further, I am not a relative or employee of any  
13 attorney of record in this cause, nor am I financially  
14 or otherwise interested in the outcome of the action.

15 Subscribed and sworn to by me this day, the  
16 21st day of May, 2020.

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22 TX CSR No. 10925 - CA CSR No. 11414  
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# Exhibit 16

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
SAN ANTONIO DIVISION

DR. GEORGE RICHARDSON, ROSALIE §  
WEISFELD, AUSTIN JUSTICE §  
COALITION, COALITION OF TEXANS §  
WITH DISABILITIES, MOVE TEXAS §  
CIVIC FUND, LEAGUE OF WOMEN §  
VOTERS OF TEXAS, and AMERICAN GI §  
FORUM OF TEXAS, INC., §

*Plaintiffs*

v.

TEXAS SECRETARY OF STATE, TRUDY §  
HANCOCK, in her official capacity as §  
BRAZOS COUNTY ELECTIONS §  
ADMINISTRATOR, and PERLA LARA in §  
her official capacity as CITY OF §  
MCALLEN, TEXAS SECRETARY, §

*Defendants.*

Civil Case No. 5:19-cv-00963-OG

**DECLARATION OF CHRIS RAINBOLT**

My name is Chris Rainbolt. I am over the age of 18 and capable of making this declaration. The facts stated herein are true within my personal knowledge.

1. Plaintiffs produced to Defendants two Excel spreadsheets containing information related to the 2016 and 2018 elections in Texas. The information was collected by the United States Election Assistance Commission. I received these documents from the Texas Secretary of State in response to a Public Information Act Request sent June 25, 2019.
2. To calculate the number of mail-in ballots rejected in Texas for alleged mismatched signatures during the 2016 General Election (1,567), I added all numerical values from the 2016 spreadsheet column "OU" labeled "Absentee Ballots Rejected Non-Matching Signature."

3. To calculate the number of mail-in ballots rejected in Texas for any reason during the 2016 General Election (6,131), I added all numerical values from the 2016 spreadsheet column “PV” labeled “Absentee Ballots Rejected Total Check.”
4. To calculate the number of Uniformed & Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act (“UOCAVA”) mail-in ballots rejected in Texas for signature problems during the 2016 General Election (367), I added all numerical values from the 2016 spreadsheet column “ID” labeled “UOCAVA Rejected Problem with Voter Signature.”
5. To calculate the number of UOCAVA mail-in ballots rejected in Texas for any reason during the 2016 General Election (3,561), I added all numerical values from the 2016 spreadsheet column “IL” labeled “UOCAVA Ballots Rejected Total.”
6. To calculate the number of mail-in ballots rejected in Texas for alleged mismatched signatures during the 2018 General Election (3,746), I added all numerical values<sup>1</sup> from the 2018 spreadsheet column “JC” labeled “Absentee Ballots Rejected – Non-Matching Signature.”
7. To calculate the number of mail-in ballots rejected in Texas for any reason during the 2018 General Election (18,754), I added all numerical values from the 2018 spreadsheet column “IY” labeled “Absentee Ballots Rejected – Total.”
8. To calculate the number of UOCAVA mail-in ballots rejected in Texas for signature issues during the 2018 General Election (880), I added all numerical values from the 2018 spreadsheet column “HC” labeled “UOCAVA Absentee Ballots Rej-Signature Issue (no FWABs) Total.”

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<sup>1</sup> For all calculations using data from the 2018 spreadsheet, values of “-99” were treated as “null” or “no value.”

9. To calculate the number of UOCAVA mail-in ballots rejected in Texas for any reason during the 2018 General Election (3,030), I added all numerical values from the 2018 spreadsheet column “GU” labeled “UOCAVA Absentee Ballots Rejected (no FWABs) Total.”

This Declaration is made pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746. I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on: June 21, 2020



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Chris Rainbolt  
Texas Civil Rights Project



# Exhibit 17

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
SAN ANTONIO DIVISION

DR. GEORGE RICHARDSON,	)	
ROSALIE WEISFELD, AUSTIN	)	
JUSTICE COALITION,	)	
COALITION OF TEXANS WITH	)	
DISABILITIES, MOVE TEXAS	)	
CIVIC FUND, LEAGUE OF	)	
WOMEN VOTERS OF TEXAS, and	)	
AMERICAN GI FORUM OF	)	
TEXAS, INC.,	)	
Plaintiffs,	)	
	)	
vs.	)	CASE NO. 5:19-cv-00963
	)	
TEXAS SECRETARY OF STATE,	)	
TRUDY HANCOCK, IN HER	)	
OFFICIAL CAPACITY AS	)	
BRAZOS COUNTY ELECTIONS	)	
ADMINISTRATOR, AND PERLA	)	
LARA IN HER OFFICIAL	)	
CAPACITY AS CITY OF	)	
MCALLEN, TEXAS SECRETARY,	)	
Defendants.	)	

ORAL AND VIDEO DEPOSITION

DR. GEORGE RICHARDSON

MAY 13, 2020

(REPORTED REMOTELY)

1 ORAL AND VIDEO DEPOSITION OF DR. GEORGE RICHARDSON,  
2 produced as a witness at the instance of Defendant Texas  
3 Secretary of State and duly sworn, was taken in the  
4 above-styled and numbered cause on the 13th day of May,  
5 2020, from 9:59 a.m. to 11:32 a.m., before Dana  
6 Richardson, Certified Shorthand Reporter in and for the  
7 State of Texas, reported remotely by computerized  
8 stenotype machine, the witness located at the residence  
9 of Dr. George Richardson, 4070 Sweetwater Drive, College  
10 Station, Texas 77845, pursuant to the Federal Rules of  
11 Civil Procedure and the provisions stated on the record  
12 or attached hereto.

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Ms. Amelia Christopher, Video Technician - (via web)

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1 THE REPORTER: We're on the record.  
2 Today's date is May 13, 2020. The time is 9:59 a.m.  
3 This is the deposition of Dr. George Richardson taken in  
4 the matter of Dr. George Richardson, Rosalie Weisfeld,  
5 Austin Justin (sic) Coalition, Coalition of Texans With  
6 Disabilities, Move Texas Civic Fund, League of Women  
7 Voters of Texas and American GI Forum of Texas, Inc.,  
8 Plaintiffs, v. Texas Secretary of State, Trudy Hancock,  
9 In Her Official Capacity as Brazos County Elections  
10 Administrator, and Perla Lara In her Official Capacity  
11 as City of McAllen, Texas Secretary, Defendants. This  
12 is pending in the United States District Court for the  
13 Western District of Texas, San Antonio Division in Civil  
14 Action No. 5:19-cv-00963, and it is being conducted by  
15 the Federal Rules and agreement of the parties to the  
16 remote swearing of the witness.

17 The witness is -- is located at  
18 4070 Sweetwater Drive, College Station, Texas 77845.

19 My name is Dana Richardson, Texas  
20 Certified Shorthand Reporter No. 5386. I'm  
21 administering the oath and reporting the deposition  
22 remotely by stenographic means from my residence within  
23 the state of Texas. My business address is care of  
24 Integrity Legal Solutions, P.O. Box 245, Manchaca, Texas  
25 78652.

1 Dr. Richardson, please raise your right  
2 hand to be sworn.

3 (Witness sworn)

4 THE REPORTER: Would counsel please state  
5 your -- state your appearance and location for the  
6 record, beginning with Plaintiff counsel.

7 MR. MIRZA: My name is Hani Mirza with the  
8 Texas Civil Rights Project. I am representing  
9 plaintiffs in this case; and I am located in Dallas,  
10 Texas.

11 THE REPORTER: Ms. Mackin --

12 MR. KALAR: I'm Samuel Kalar -- I'm Samuel  
13 Kalar, also with the plaintiffs in this case, with the  
14 law firm Willkie, Farr & Gallagher; and I'm located in  
15 New York, New York.

16 THE REPORTER: Thank you.

17 MS. SURIANI: I'm JoAnna Suriani of the  
18 law firm Willkie, Farr & Gallagher, also on behalf of  
19 Plaintiffs. I'm located in Washington, DC.

20 MS. MACKIN: This is Anna Mackin with the  
21 Texas Attorney General's Office. I represent the  
22 Defendant Texas Secretary of State in her official  
23 capacity; and I am located in Austin, Texas.

24 MR. TAWIL: My name is Isaac Tawil. I  
25 represent Perla Lara in her official capacity as

1 lawsuit is about voting by mail. Other than voting by  
2 mail, are you aware of any other options that are  
3 available for casting a ballot in the state of Texas?

4 A. Yes.

5 Q. What are those?

6 A. You can -- you can vote in person.

7 Q. Anything else?

8 A. I -- I guess I -- as an -- I'm not sure if an  
9 absentee ballot is considered a ballot by mail or not,  
10 but you can cast an absentee ballot.

11 Q. Okay. And are you aware of any other methods  
12 for casting a ballot in Texas?

13 A. No.

14 Q. Okay. And have you voted in person before?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. This might be difficult; so if you can't give  
17 me a firm answer, that's fine. But do you have an  
18 estimate of how many times you've done that in the state  
19 of Texas?

20 A. Well, I mean, I guess there's an election at  
21 least every two years of some sort. So -- and I -- I  
22 don't think I've missed any. And I started voting in  
23 college. Let's see, I'm 70 now. And I think the legal  
24 age -- was the legal age 18 back in the Sixties or  
25 Seventies?

1           **Q.     I believe so.**

2           A.     I can't remember. Yeah. So that would be  
3 52 -- I guess at least 26 times. Well, no, because I  
4 lived out of state for eight years. 22 times, maybe,  
5 20 times, something like that.

6           **Q.     Okay. I appreciate -- I appreciate that. I**  
7 **appreciate the mathematical approach you took to get me**  
8 **that estimate. Not everyone, including some of us**  
9 **lawyers, like me, would have been that diligent about**  
10 **it. So I appreciate that.**

11                   **So in all those times you voted, did you**  
12 **always vote in person or have you -- have you voted by**  
13 **mail before 2018?**

14           A.     I -- well, I'd say, for the most part, I voted  
15 in person because when I lived in Austin, I -- I  
16 registered to vote there; and when I lived in Houston, I  
17 registered to vote there. And then when I turned 65, I  
18 think my wife told me that I could vote by mail. So  
19 somewhere between 65 and now, I -- I applied for a  
20 mail-in ballot.

21           **Q.     And why have you historically voted in person?**

22           A.     Well, I think I was required to.

23           **Q.     So --**

24           A.     I mean, you -- you have to -- I think you have  
25 to have a reason to vote by mail.

1 voted in person when you didn't have to provide some  
2 form of identification?

3 A. Well, I'm not sure. I mean, it -- for our  
4 local election -- I mean, for our election here in  
5 College Station, I just go down -- I used to just go  
6 down there and they'd look up my address and I'd sign  
7 the -- the form and vote. I can't -- I don't -- I'm not  
8 sure whether I showed them an ID or not.

9 Q. Okay. But you do recall signing a poll book?

10 A. Yes.

11 Q. Do you recall an occasion when you voted in  
12 person in Texas when you didn't either have to show a  
13 form of identification or provide a signature?

14 A. No.

15 Q. To your knowledge, have you ever had a ballot  
16 that you cast rejected other than the 2018 general  
17 election that's at issue in this case?

18 A. No.

19 Q. All right. And so I think we already covered  
20 this, but I just want to make sure I'm -- I'm crystal  
21 clear. Before the 2018 general election, had you ever  
22 voted by mail before?

23 A. I'm not sure. I -- I may have -- I don't know.  
24 I may have requested an absentee ballot when I lived out  
25 of state and wasn't -- I don't think so. I think I

1 always voted in person.

2 Q. Okay. Do you recall when you applied for your  
3 ballot by mail for the 2018 general election?

4 A. No.

5 Q. Do you remember what you did to apply for your  
6 ballot by mail for the 2018 general election?

7 A. No.

8 Q. How did you become familiar with the  
9 requirements for voting a ballot by mail?

10 A. I think I had a discussion with my wife about  
11 it.

12 Q. Okay. Did anyone assist you in applying for  
13 your ballot by mail for the 2018 general election?

14 A. No.

15 Q. And did anyone assist you in submitting your  
16 application for a ballot by mail in the 2018 general  
17 election?

18 A. No.

19 Q. Do you recall signing your application for a  
20 ballot by mail for the 2018 general election?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. And what do you recall about that?

23 A. Well, I recall that my signature had to -- it  
24 had to go across the seal on an envelope, half of it  
25 above the -- or on the -- on the flap and then half of



1 it below the flap. That's the only reason I recall it,  
2 actually.

3 **Q. Why did that stick out in your memory?**

4 A. Well, I don't think I've ever signed anything  
5 that way before.

6 (Exhibit 2 marked)

7 **Q. (BY MS. MACKIN) All right. I'm sharing a**  
8 **document with you that will be Exhibit 2 to this**  
9 **deposition. Please let me know if you're able to access**  
10 **that file.**

11 MS. MACKIN: And I'm noting that Eric  
12 Magee mentions that the first exhibit did not come  
13 through for him.

14 Eric, I'll be sure to get you a copy;  
15 and -- and let me know if you have any trouble with this  
16 exhibit that I've just shared.

17 A. So this is Brazos 74 PDF?

18 **Q. Yes.**

19 A. Okay. Okay. Got it.

20 **Q. All right. Do you recognize this document,**  
21 **Dr. Richardson?**

22 A. I recognize my signature.

23 **Q. Does this appear to be the ballot-by-mail**  
24 **application that you submitted to Brazos county for**  
25 **the --**

1 A. Yes.

2 Q. -- 2018 elections?

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. Okay. And that is your signature on the line  
5 that says "Signature"?

6 A. Looks like it, yep.

7 Q. Okay. Underneath your signature, there's a  
8 line of text. Will you please read that into the  
9 record.

10 A. "Must be signed. Do not print. If you cannot  
11 sign, make a mark and have witness fill out the box to  
12 the right. I certify the information given in this  
13 application is true, and I understand that giving false  
14 information in this application is a crime."

15 Q. Thank you.

16 What was your understanding of what your  
17 signature on this ballot-by-mail application would be  
18 used for?

19 A. Well, it -- it would attest that -- that I,  
20 George Richardson, was requesting a mail-in ballot.

21 Q. And do you --

22 A. That was my understanding.

23 Q. Do you recall when you received your mail-in  
24 ballot?

25 A. No.

1 Q. Did it come from Brazos County?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. And do you recall if anything was included  
4 besides the ballot itself?

5 A. Well, there's two -- there's two envelopes that  
6 go with the mail-in ballot. I recall that.

7 Q. Okay. A carrier envelope and a secrecy  
8 envelope? Does that sound right?

9 A. Yeah.

10 Q. Do you recall if there was anything else  
11 included besides the ballot and those two envelopes?

12 A. No.

13 Q. Okay. And we are done with Exhibit 2.

14 (Exhibit 3 marked)

15 Q. (BY MS. MACKIN) I'm going to share another  
16 file which will be Exhibit 3. Please let me know if  
17 you're able to access that document.

18 MR. MIRZA: I -- Anna, I don't think we --  
19 I got the link.

20 MS. MACKIN: Oh, I'm sorry.

21 MR. MIRZA: Okay.

22 MS. MACKIN: I don't know what is going on  
23 with this today. This has been working so well until  
24 now.

25 MR. MIRZA: Yeah.

1 MS. MACKIN: Let me try again.

2 Oh, shoot, I'm -- I know what the problem  
3 is. I only sent it to Integrity.

4 MR. MIRZA: Oh, I see.

5 MS. MACKIN: That will do it. They sent  
6 me a note to say they were e-mailing them to counsel who  
7 weren't able to access them, and then it was just  
8 automatically replying to Integrity. So hopefully that  
9 should work.

10 MR. MIRZA: Okay. I received it.

11 A. Okay. Yeah, I've got it.

12 Q. (BY MS. MACKIN) Thank you.

13 Dr. Richardson, do you recognize the page  
14 labeled "Brazos 72"?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. And does that appear to be the carrier envelope  
17 that you used to return your ballot to Brazos County for  
18 the 2018 general election?

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. And is that your signature on the line that  
21 says "Signature or Mark of Voter"?

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. And is that the signature that you were  
24 speaking about that you recalled having to sign over the  
25 flap?

1 A. Yes, I think so.

2 Q. And did you have an understanding of what that  
3 signature would be used for?

4 A. My understanding was that it -- it would be  
5 used to attest -- I mean, it'd be like a sworn statement  
6 that -- that this vote -- that this ballot belonged to  
7 me or was coming from me. That was my understanding.

8 Q. Okay. And moving on to the next page,  
9 Brazos 73, there's a stamp on the carrier envelope that  
10 says October 17th, 2018. Now, I don't expect you to  
11 necessarily remember exactly the date that you mailed in  
12 your ballot; but does it seem reasonable that Brazos  
13 County would have received your ballot on October 17th,  
14 2018?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. Okay. That's all I have on that document.  
17 Thank you, Dr. Richardson.

18 (Exhibit 4 marked)

19 Q. (BY MS. MACKIN) I'm sending what will be  
20 Exhibit 4 around in the chat box. Please let me know  
21 when you're able to pull up that document.

22 A. Okay. I've got it.

23 Q. Okay. And do you recognize this document?

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. What is it?

1 A. It's a -- it's a notice of a rejected ballot.

2 Q. And is this the Notice of Rejected Ballot that  
3 you received from Brazos County related to the 2018  
4 general election?

5 A. Well, it's got my name on it; so I would assume  
6 that it is.

7 Q. So down at the bottom, there's a date on this  
8 notice. It was signed by an RW Davis on November 3rd,  
9 2018. Do you know --

10 A. I see it.

11 Q. Do you recall when you received this notice?

12 A. Yeah. It was after the election.

13 Q. Do you know the date?

14 A. No.

15 Q. Other than this Notice of Rejected Ballot,  
16 Exhibit 4, did you receive notice that your ballot had  
17 been rejected in any other way?

18 A. No.

19 Q. And what did you do when you received  
20 Exhibit 4?

21 A. I wrote a letter to the -- to the local  
22 newspaper.

23 Q. And that would be The Eagle. Is that right?

24 A. That's right.

25 Q. And when did you write that letter? Do you



1 **recall?**

2 A. I think it was probably the same day that I got  
3 this rejection.

4 **Q. And other than writing to the -- The Eagle, did**  
5 **you do anything else when you received this notice?**

6 A. I may have called my daughter.

7 **Q. Anything else?**

8 A. Said some curse words.

9 **Q. Did you contact any Brazos County election**  
10 **officials?**

11 A. Yeah. Actually, I went down there; but I can't  
12 remember when.

13 **Q. Okay. What did you -- and when you say you**  
14 **went down there, where did you go?**

15 A. I went to the -- the Brazos County election  
16 office or voting office across the street from the  
17 courthouse on William J. Bryan.

18 **Q. And were you able to speak with anyone there?**

19 A. Yes.

20 **Q. Who did you speak with?**

21 A. I can't remember her name, but she was -- she  
22 was at the front desk.

23 **Q. Did you speak with anyone else at the Brazos**  
24 **County election office?**

25 A. No.

1           **Q. Do you know the identities of the individual or**  
2 **individuals who rejected your ballot?**

3           A. No.

4           **Q. Do you know why the decision was made to reject**  
5 **your ballot?**

6           A. The -- the process was explained to me, but  
7 that's -- that's all I know.

8           **Q. Okay. So you know what was considered in**  
9 **making the determination to reject your ballot?**

10          A. Well, yeah, I guess I had a discussion with the  
11 person down at the voting office about that; and it  
12 was -- it was a little bit opaque, actually. I mean,  
13 she looked at the two signatures and just kind of  
14 shrugged and said, "Well, I wouldn't have rejected  
15 them." And then -- and then she explained to me the  
16 process by -- whereby -- I think -- I think there's  
17 three people that look at the signatures, and -- and  
18 they vote either to accept the ballot or reject it,  
19 three people that are not experts in anything regarding  
20 signatures.

21          **Q. Just to be clear, this conversation you're**  
22 **talking about at the election office, this is the**  
23 **conversation you had when you received the Notice of**  
24 **Rejected Ballot, went down and talked to the woman at**  
25 **the front desk?**

1 A. That's right.

2 Q. Do you know whether the Texas Secretary of  
3 State's Office was involved in the decision to reject  
4 your ballot?

5 A. No.

6 Q. Do you know how the individuals who evaluated  
7 your ballot were selected?

8 A. No.

9 Q. Okay. And that's all I have on that exhibit.

10 (Exhibit 5 marked)

11 Q. (BY MS. MACKIN) I'm going to share what will  
12 be Exhibit 5 to this deposition. Please let me know  
13 when you're able to pull up that document.

14 A. Yeah, I'm getting better at it. Okay. I got  
15 it.

16 Q. All right. Do you recognize this document?

17 A. No.

18 Q. Okay. So do you know if -- so across the top,  
19 it says "Information About Returning Your Carrier  
20 Envelope."

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. Do you -- do you recall whether or not this was  
23 provided to you in any of the ballot-by-mail materials  
24 that you received?

25 A. No.

1 Q. And what is it?

2 A. It's the -- it's the -- it's the editorial page  
3 of the Bryan-College Station Eagle, or a copy of it.

4 Q. And it is dated Monday, November 19th, 2018,  
5 correct?

6 A. Yes. That's right.

7 Q. And the letter in the top right corner --  
8 pardon me. The letter in the top left corner under  
9 "Letters to the Editor," under the headline "Feeling  
10 cheated out of his vote after ballot was rejected," is  
11 that the editorial that you wrote after receiving your  
12 Notice of Rejected Ballot?

13 A. That's the letter that I wrote.

14 Q. Okay. And do you still agree with everything  
15 that you stated in this letter?

16 A. No, I don't.

17 Q. What do you no -- no longer agree with?

18 A. I'm sorry?

19 Q. What do you no longer agree with?

20 A. Well, I was mad at the time and said I'd never  
21 vote by mail again; but I probably will. I will.

22 Q. And when do you plan to do that?

23 A. I guess the next opportunity I have to vote.

24 Q. Okay. And why do you plan to vote by mail in  
25 the future?

1 A. It's easy. It's convenient.

2 Q. Will you take any steps to try to ensure that  
3 your ballot is not rejected if you vote by mail in the  
4 future?

5 MR. MIRZA: Objection, form.

6 A. I don't think my ballot will be rejected in the  
7 future.

8 Q. (BY MS. MACKIN) Why not?

9 A. Because they'd recognize the name on the  
10 ballot.

11 Q. Who is "they"?

12 A. The people that -- the election judges.

13 Q. And why is that significant?

14 A. Because I'm suing the Secretary of State now.

15 Q. And so why do you think that suing the  
16 Secretary of State will prevent Brazos County from  
17 rejecting your ballot in the future?

18 A. Well, they've rejected it in the past; and I  
19 think that if they could take it back, they would. But  
20 I don't think they'll reject it again.

21 Q. All right. Fair enough.

22 (Exhibit 7 marked)

23 Q. (BY MS. MACKIN) One more document for you.

24 Please let me know when you're able to access the  
25 document I've just shared, which will be Exhibit 7 to

1 Q. And what is it?

2 A. It's responses to the defendants'  
3 interrogatories in this lawsuit prior to the deposition.

4 Q. And who wrote these responses?

5 A. I did.

6 Q. And are they true and correct to the best of  
7 your knowledge?

8 A. Yes.

9 Q. Dr. Richardson, your -- your complaint  
10 mentions -- and it's logical -- that you have signed  
11 many prescriptions in your time as a medical doctor. Do  
12 you know what, if anything, that signature is used for  
13 when -- when a medical doctor signs a prescription?

14 A. Well, it -- it attests to the fact that I was  
15 either aware or I wrote out the -- the prescribed  
16 medication and that it was indicated for the individual  
17 I was writing it out for.

18 Q. And you've mentioned that you have never had a  
19 prescription questioned because of the signature on it.  
20 Are you aware of circumstances when any other physician  
21 has had a prescription questioned or rejected because of  
22 the signature on it?

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. Okay. Tell me about that.

25 A. It -- it was my own prescription. Many years



1 ago, a patient of mine who had become addicted to  
2 narcotics stole a prescription pad from my office and --  
3 and tried to write himself a prescription in another  
4 state for a controlled substance.

5 **Q. And who flagged that prescription as fraudulent**  
6 **or invalid or whatever the proper term is?**

7 A. Well, I think it was the State of Colorado.

8 **Q. And is that where the patient attempted to**  
9 **write themselves a prescription, in Colorado?**

10 A. That -- that's what I recall, yeah. It's been  
11 at least 20 years ago.

12 **Q. At that time, were you licensed to practice**  
13 **medicine in Colorado?**

14 A. No.

15 **Q. Do you know how the State of Colorado was able**  
16 **to identify that prescription as invalid?**

17 MR. MIRZA: Objection, form.

18 A. I -- I don't understand the question.

19 **Q. (BY MS. MACKIN) Okay. So you were talking**  
20 **about the instance of the State of Colorado identifying**  
21 **a prescription as not legitimate. Do you know how the**  
22 **State of Colorado identified that prescription as not**  
23 **legitimate?**

24 MR. MIRZA: Objection, form.

25 A. Yeah, I -- I -- that's a good question.

1           **Q.     (BY MS. MACKIN)   It's okay if you don't know.**

2           A.     I'm not sure. I mean, I -- I assumed it was  
3 the patient that signed -- tried to sign my name, but  
4 I -- I don't see how that would have -- I don't know  
5 what tipped them off, to tell you the truth.

6           **Q.     Are you aware of any other circumstances in**  
7 **which a prescription has been rejected because of the**  
8 **signature on it?**

9           A.     No. I mean, I can't recall any. It doesn't  
10 mean it didn't happen, but...

11                   MS. MACKIN: All right, Dr. Richardson, I  
12 don't have any other questions for you; and I appreciate  
13 your time. And I'll pass the witness.

14                   MR. MIRZA: I have a few questions,  
15 Dr. Richardson.

16                                   EXAMINATION

17           **Q.     (BY MR. MIRZA)   You were not asked to serve on**  
18 **the board of the Coalition of Texans With Disabilities**  
19 **specifically, correct?**

20           A.     That's correct.

21           **Q.     Okay. Do you know who will review your**  
22 **signatures the next time you submit a mail-in ballot and**  
23 **the times afterwards when you submit a mail-in ballot?**

24           A.     No.

25           **Q.     Do you know if the individuals who review your**

1 STATE OF TEXAS  
2 COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY

3 REPORTER'S CERTIFICATE

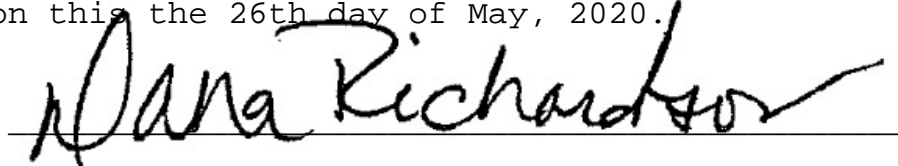
4 I, Dana Richardson, a Certified Shorthand Reporter  
5 in and for the State of Texas, do certify that this  
6 deposition transcript is a true record of the testimony  
7 given by the witness named herein, after said witness  
8 was duly sworn by me. The witness was requested to  
9 review the deposition.

10 I further certify that I am neither attorney or  
11 counsel for, related to, nor employed by any parties to  
12 the action in which this testimony is taken and,  
13 further, that I am not a relative or employee of any  
14 counsel employed by the parties hereto or financially  
15 interested in the action.

16 I further certify that the amount of time used by  
17 each party at the deposition is as follows:

18 Ms. Anne Marie Mackin - 01:03  
19 Mr. Hani Mirza - 00:01  
20 Mr. Eric Magee - 00:11  
21 Mr. Isaac J. Tawil - 00:01

22 SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO under my hand and seal of  
23 office on this the 26th day of May, 2020.

24 

25 Dana Richardson, RPR, TX CSR 5386  
Expiration: 01/31/22  
Integrity Legal Support Solutions, CFR 528  
PO Box 245  
Manchaca, Texas 78652  
(512) 320-8690  
(512) 320-8692 (fax)

# Exhibit 18

**Ballot By Mail Request Form**

Registration Address  
 George Adams Richardson  
 4070 Sweetwater Dr  
 College Station, TX 77845

**OFFICE USE ONLY**  
 Voter ID: 040885456  
 Precinct?



I am over 65 years of age and requesting an **Annual Ballot By Mail** to receive a ballot for all elections in 2018, including any **Democratic Party** elections, local elections, and the November 2018 General Election. Mail my ballots to the address indicated above (unless noted otherwise below).

**SIGNATURE (FIRMA)** George Richardson

*Must be signed. Do not print. If you cannot sign, make a mark and have witness fill out the box to the right.*

I certify that the information given in this application is true, and I understand that giving false information in this application is a crime.

If you are not able to receive ballots at the address where you are registered to vote, the ballot may be mailed to an alternate address. This address may only be one of the following. Check which address you are using:

- ☐ A hospital, nursing home, retirement center or other long-term care facility.  
☐ The address of a person related to applicant. Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Mailing Address listed on applicant's voter registration card.

Mailing Address  
 George Richardson  
 4070 Sweetwater Dr  
 College Station, TX 77845

Address where ballot  
 should be sent, if different:  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

**FOR WITNESS (Only if Applicant Cannot Sign):**

If applicant is unable to make mark,

Witness shall check here: ☐

Witness Name \_\_\_\_\_

Witness Address \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Applicant (Check One)

☐ spouse ☐ child ☐ reside at same address as applicant

☐ other: \_\_\_\_\_

Witness Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

If you are unable to sign your name (due to a physical disability or illiteracy), the application may be signed for you by a Witness. You must affix your mark to the application or, if you are unable to make a mark, then the Witness must sign and provide his or her printed name and residence address. Unless the Witness is a close relative of the voter (parent, grandparent, spouse, child or sibling), it is a Class B misdemeanor for a person to witness more than one application in a calendar year.

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# Exhibit 19



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**Instructions:** This envelope must be sealed and signed by the voter before it is placed in the ballot box. The carrier envelope marked by you or at your direction. This carrier envelope may not be used to return more than one voter's ballot. For instructions on the methods and deadlines to deliver this carrier envelope, see the "Information About Returning your Carrier Envelope," included with the materials sent to you with your ballot. (Instrucciones al Votante: Selle este sobre y después firme su nombre en el espacio proporcionado abajo. Este sobre debe de ser sellado y firmado por el votante antes de que el votante lo entregue. No firme este sobre a menos de que la boleta haya sido llevada por usted o bajo su dirección. Este sobre de envío no debe ser utilizado para entregar la boleta de más de un solo votante. Para obtener instrucciones sobre los métodos y plazos para entregar este sobre de envío, vea la "Información Sobre Cómo Devolver su Sobre de Envío," incluido con los materiales enviados a usted con su boleta.)

I certify that the enclosed ballot expresses my wishes independent of any dictation or undue persuasion by any person. (Certifico que la boleta adjunta expresa mis deseos independientemente de ningún dictado o persuasión indebida por parte de cualquier persona.)

X George A. Richardson  
SIGNATURE OR MARK OF VOTER (FIRMA O MARCA DEL VOTANTE)

SEAL ENVELOPE AND SIGN OVER SEALED FLAP  
(SELLE EL SOBRE Y FIRME ENCIMA DE SOLAPA DEL SOBRE)

**Instructions to Assistant:** A voter may only be assisted with reading or marking the ballot if they have a physical disability that renders them unable to write or see, or have an inability to read the language in which the ballot is written. If you are assisting the voter, you must read the oath and complete the section below, before assisting the voter. (Instrucciones al Asistente: Un votante puede recibir ayuda para leer o llenar la boleta solamente si el votante tiene una discapacidad física la cual le impide escribir o ver, o si no tiene la habilidad de leer el lenguaje en el cual la boleta está escrita. Si usted le proporcionará ayuda a un votante, usted debe leer el juramento y llenar la siguiente sección abajo, antes de asistir al votante.)

**Oath of Person Assisting Voter:** I swear (or affirm) that I will not suggest, by word, sign, or gesture, how the voter should vote; I will confine my assistance to answering the voter's questions, to stating propositions on the ballot, and to naming candidates and, if listed, their political parties; I will prepare the voter's ballot as the voter directs; and I am not the voter's employer, an agent of the voter's employer, or an officer or agent of a labor union to which the voter belongs. (Juramento de la Persona Asistiendo al Votante: Juro (o afirmo) que no sugeriré con palabras, señales, o gestos, la manera en la cual el votante debe votar; limitaré mi asistencia a responder las preguntas del votante, leer propuestas en la boleta, nombrar a los candidatos, y si es mencionado, su partido político; prepararé la boleta del votante de acuerdo a sus instrucciones; y yo no soy el empleador del votante, un agente del empleador del votante, o un oficial o agente de un sindicato al cual el votante pertenece.)

**Instructions to Witness:** You are serving as a witness for \_\_\_\_\_ (name of voter). You must complete the section below if you witness the mark of the voter, or if the voter cannot make a mark. If the voter cannot make a mark, check here \_\_\_\_\_. (Instrucciones al Testigo: Usted está fungiendo como testigo para \_\_\_\_\_ (nombre del votante). Usted debe llenar la siguiente sección abajo si usted fue testigo de que el votante firmo, o de que el votante no puede firmar. Si el votante no puede firmar, marque sus iniciales aquí \_\_\_\_.)

**Instructions to Person Depositing Carrier Envelope in Mail or to Common or Contract Carrier:** If you are assisting a voter by depositing the carrier envelope in the mail or with a common or contract carrier, you must complete the section below. (Instrucciones a la Persona Quien Deposite el Sobre de Envío en el Correo o Entregue al Transportista Público o Comercial: Si usted asistirá al votante a depositar el sobre de envío en el correo o con un transportista público o comercial, usted debe llenar la sección que aparece abajo.)

If you are an assistant or witness, check the appropriate box below and provide information: (Si usted es un asistente o testigo, marque la casilla correcta y proporcione su información):

<input type="checkbox"/> Assistant/ Asistente	Signature (Firma)	Printed Name (Nombre impreso)	Street Address (Domicilio residencial)
<input type="checkbox"/> Witness/ Testigo			
<input type="checkbox"/> Assistant/ Asistente		Printed Name (Nombre impreso)	Street Address (Domicilio residencial)

1040885456 (BS11)

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RICHARDSON, GEORGE ADAMS  
4070 SWEETWATER DR  
COLLEGE STATION, TX 77845

Nombre de Elección:

Date of Election (Fecha de Elección)

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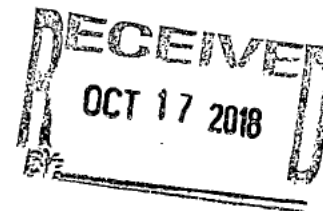
**CARRIER ENVELOPE FOR EARLY VOTING BALLOT**  
(SOBRE OFICIAL PARA ENVIO DE BOLETA DE VOTACIÓN TEMPRANA)

**TO (A):**

Early Voting Clerk

300 E. Wm J Bryan Pkwy, Suite 100

Bryan, TX 77803



**WARNING:** (1) Knowingly possessing another person's ballot or carrier envelope may be a crime unless you provide your signature, printed name and address. (2) A person commits an offense if the person compensates another person or receives compensation for depositing a carrier envelope in the mail as part of a scheme in which the person is compensated based on the number of carrier envelopes deposited.

**ADVERTENCIA:** (1) El acto de poseer conscientemente la boleta electoral o el sobre oficial de otra persona puede ser un delito a menos de que usted proporcione su firma, nombre impreso, y su dirección. (2) Una persona comete un delito si recompensa o recibe compensación a cambio de depositar el sobre oficial en el correo como parte de un plan en el cual la persona es recompensada en base al número de sobres oficiales depositados.

# Exhibit 20

AW5-12  
Prescribed by Secretary of State  
Sec. 87.0431, Texas Election Code  
3/07

## NOTICE OF REJECTED BALLOT

This is to serve as notice that your ballot for the General 2018 Election was rejected by the early voting ballot board and was not counted.

Name of Voter  
VOID Number

George Adams Richardson  
1040885456

Reason for Rejection: (Check As Appropriate)

- ☐ 1) Certificate on carrier envelope was not properly executed.  
☐ You failed to sign your signature or make your mark.  
☐ The witness failed to indicate on the envelope that you could not make a mark.  
☐ The assistant or witness failed to print their name.  
☐ The assistant or witness failed to sign their name.  
☐ The residence address of the assistant or witness was not given.
- ☒ 2) It was determined that the signature on the application for ballot by mail and carrier envelope was not signed by the same person.
- ☐ 3) Application for ballot by mail did not state a legal ground for voting by mail.
- ☐ 4) Voter registration records indicated you did not have an effective registration for this election.
- ☐ 5) Address to which ballot was mailed was not outside the county. Voting early by mail due to expected absence from the county requires balloting materials be mailed to an address outside the county.
- ☐ 6) The residence address on the statement of residence is not located in the political subdivision conducting the election.
- ☐ 7) The mailing address on the application for ballot by mail did not match your voter registration address nor did the mailing address match any addresses provided on your statement of residence. Since you did not indicate on your application for a ballot by mail that you were having your ballot mailed to a hospital, retirement center, long term care facility, nursing home, jail, or a relative, your ballot was rejected.
- ☐ 8) The statement of residence was not included in the carrier envelope.
- ☐ 9) No identification was included with your mail ballot.
- ☐ 10) Other:

RW Davis  
Signature of Early Voting Ballot Board Judge

Date

11/3/2018

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# Exhibit 21

432-957-7867

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
SAN ANTONIO DIVISION

DR. GEORGE RICHARDSON, ROSALIE §  
WEISFELD, AUSTIN JUSTICE §  
COALITION, COALITION OF TEXANS §  
WITH DISABILITIES, MOVE TEXAS §  
CIVIC FUND, LEAGUE OF WOMEN §  
VOTERS OF TEXAS, and AMERICAN GI §  
FORUM OF TEXAS, INC., §

*Plaintiffs*

v.

Civil Case No. 5:19-cv-00963-OG

TEXAS SECRETARY OF STATE, TRUDY §  
HANCOCK, in her official capacity as §  
BRAZOS COUNTY ELECTIONS §  
ADMINISTRATOR, and PERLA LARA in §  
her official capacity as CITY OF MCALLEN, §  
TEXAS SECRETARY, §

*Defendants.*

**DECLARATION OF GEORGE RICHARDSON**

My name is George Richardson. I am over the age of 18 and capable of making this declaration. The facts stated herein are within my personal knowledge.

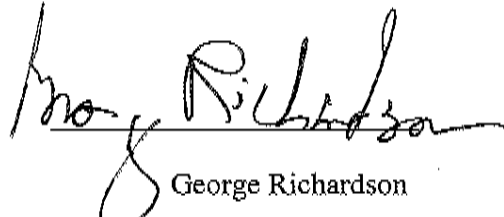
1. I am a resident of Brazos County, Texas and eligible to vote in Brazos County, Texas
2. I have regularly voted since I was 18 years old.
3. I am currently 70 years old.
4. I decided to apply to vote by mail for the November 6, 2018, general election in Brazos County on the basis of being 65 years of age or older.
5. I filled in and signed my application to vote by mail and sent it to Brazos County. The county then sent me a mail-in ballot and a carrier envelope for the ballot. I filled in the ballot and signed the carrier envelope and returned both to the county.



6. After the election, I received a notice of rejection in the mail from Brazos County. The notice was dated November 3, 2018.
7. The notice of rejection indicated that the Brazos County early voting ballot board had rejected my ballot for the November 2018 general election because "[i]t was determined that the signature on the application for ballot by mail and carrier envelope was not signed by the same person."
8. The rejection of my ballot upset me. I wrote a letter to a local newspaper, The Eagle, describing what had happened to me. The Eagle published my letter.
9. I also visited the Brazos Elections office in person. I spoke to an employee at the front desk. She told me that the early voting board simply "eye balls" the signatures before making a final decision and that she would not have rejected my ballot.
10. Trudy Hancock, the Brazos County Elections Administrator, sent me a letter after seeing my story in The Eagle. The letter was dated November 26, 2018. She stated that Brazos County had followed the Texas Election Code when they disenfranchised me.
11. I would have readily confirmed that it was my signature on both my application for the ballot by mail and the carrier envelope containing my mail-in ballot if anyone from Brazos County had contacted me after the early voting ballot board initially and incorrectly determined that I had not written both signatures.
12. I intend to continue voting by mail in future elections. It is easy and convenient and I will be eligible to do so because I am over the age of 65.

This Declaration is made pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746. I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Date: 6/9/2020

  
George Richardson

# Exhibit 22

# Opinions

## EDITORIAL BOARD

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letters@theeagle.com

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Feeling cheated out of his vote after ballot was rejected

I voted early by mail in the midterm election because I am older than 65 and have access to this convenience because of my age. I received a "notice of rejected ballot" because "it was determined that the signature on the application for ballot by mail and the carrier envelope was not signed by the same person."

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**How your U.S. lawmakers voted**

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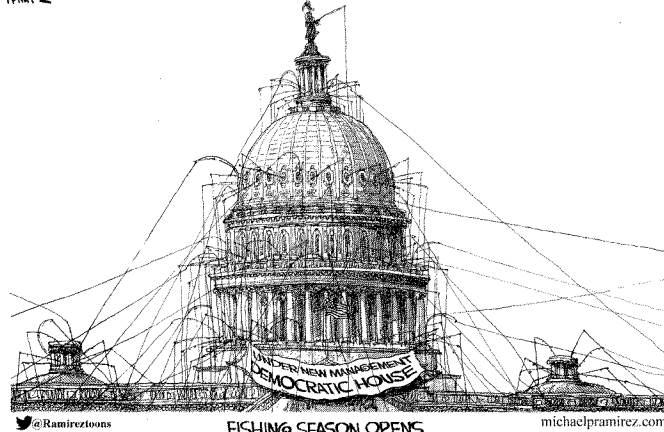
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Y Y Y Y	<b>Gray Wolves, Endangered Species:</b> The House passed, 196-180, a bill (HR 6784) requiring the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to remove gray wolves from Endangered Species Act protection, prohibit judicial review of the action and transfer authority for managing the wolves to the states.
Y Y Y Y	<b>U.S. Role in Yemen:</b> The House adopted, 201-187, a rule for debating HR 6784 (above). The rule drew Democratic foes because it barred debate on a separate measure (H Con Res 138) requiring U.S. military actions in Yemen to receive congressional approval under the War Powers Act.
Y Y	<b>Arms to Bahrain, War in Yemen:</b> The Senate tabled, 77-21, a measure (S Res 65) that would block the planned sale of \$300 million in U.S. missiles and rocket launchers to Bahrain, which has joined Saudi Arabia in waging war in Yemen. A yes vote was in support of the arms deal.
Y Y	<b>Coast Guard, Invasive Species:</b> The Senate passed, 94-6, a bill (S 140) that would authorize \$20.7 billion for the Coast Guard over two years and take steps to combat the problem of vessels discharging ballast water containing invasive species into the Great Lakes and at ocean ports.
Y Y	<b>Michelle Bowman, Fed Governor:</b> Voting 64-34, the Senate confirmed Michelle Bowman to the Federal Reserve System board of governors. She had been the top banking regulator in Kansas and a community bank executive there. Five of the Fed's seven board seats are now filled.

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■ Congress is in recess until the week of Nov. 26.

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## Which voters should be the GOP priority?

Disappointed after the midterm elections, Republicans are trying to decide which voters should be the party's top priority.

In recent elections, they have been losing votes from white college graduates, often in the suburbs, while gaining votes from whites without college degrees. Should Republicans go further down the road of working-class populism, perhaps trying to expand its appeal beyond white voters? Or should they try to reverse their losses among suburban moderates?

Eric Cantor, a Republican and former House majority leader, puts his emphasis on winning back the college-educated voters, especially women, who have recently defected. He recommends that his party push to make paid maternity leave more available and child care more affordable to appeal to these voters.

The conservative po-

litical analysts Henry Olsen and Reihan Salam, however, argue that Republicans would be better off trying to build on their gains among working-class voters, especially those who went from supporting Barack Obama in 2012 to supporting Donald Trump in 2016, via policies such as wage subsidies and immigration control. These voters have not all shifted to the GOP in down-ballot races. Whether they will stay Republican in 2020, or when Trump is no longer on the ballot, is an open question.

Olsen and Salam both say, however, that the party ideally would win over more voters of both types. It's that point I'll emphasize here: Republicans should not think of this strategic choice as a stark one.

It may, for one thing, be possible to promote policies that make Republicans more appealing to both groups. Cantor pitches his ideas for helping parents as a way to regain the support of suburban moderates. But paid leave may be even more appealing to working-class voters.

A Republican pitch to the working class that addresses this kind of economic concern also might allow the party to pull back a little from the we're-real-Americans-and-you're-not cultural messaging that



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alienates many college-educated voters. (Salam and I made this point during an earlier round of arguments about Republican strategy.)

Parties that are on the upswing typically make gains that are diffused, albeit unevenly, among many demographic groups. After Mitt Romney lost the presidential election in 2012, many Republicans concluded that to win the next time they would have to do markedly better among Hispanics, getting 40 percent of their votes. Others wondered whether Republicans could win just by boosting their share of the white vote.

Republicans didn't come close to getting 40 percent of Hispanics in 2016. But they slightly improved their percentage of the two-party vote among Hispanics — and among whites, Asians and African Americans. Those gains, and their geographic distribution, were enough to deliver them the White House.

If Republicans do better in 2020 than they did this fall, it probably will be be-

cause they improve their performance a bit among both Romney-Clinton and Obama-Trump voters (although if I had to bet, I would expect a bit more improvement in the second group). If Republicans don't improve on both fronts, on the other hand, they are unlikely to win a governing majority.

A coalition that includes the suburban defectors, the new populists and traditional conservatives would require constant tending by Republican leaders in the best of circumstances. Whether the party's current leadership is suited to building and maintaining it is also, at best, an open question.

Which brings us to another reason Republicans should not put too much of their mental energy into figuring out whether to target voters with or without college degrees. Whatever individual Republicans want, the party's strategy over at least the next two years largely will consist of whatever the president chooses to do and say — and that series of choices is going to be guided more by who he is and what he wants than by any grand theory of the electorate

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## TODAY IN HISTORY

**Associated Press**  
Today is Monday, Nov. 19, the 323rd day of 2018. There are 42 days left in the year.

**Today's Highlight**  
On Nov. 19, 1863, President Abraham Lincoln dedicated a national cemetery at the site of the Civil War battlefield of Gettysburg in Pennsylvania.

**On this date**  
In 1831, the 20th president of the United States, James Garfield, was born in Orange Township, Ohio.

In 1919, the Senate rejected the Treaty of Versailles by a vote of 55 in favor, 39 against, short of the two-thirds majority needed for ratification.

In 1942, during World War II, Russian forces launched their winter offensive against the Germans along the Don front.

In 1959, Ford Motor Co. announced it was halting production of the unpopular Edsel.

In 1969, Apollo 12 astronauts Charles Conrad and Alan Bean made the second manned landing on the moon.

In 1977, Egyptian President Anwar Sadat became the first Arab leader to visit Israel.

In 1985, President Ronald Reagan and Soviet leader Mikhail S. Gorbachev met for the first time as they began their summit in Geneva.

In 1990, the pop duo Milli Vanilli was stripped of its Grammy Award because other singers had lent their voices to the *Girl You Know It's True* album.

In 1995, Polish President Lech Walesa was defeated in his bid for re-election.

In 1997, Iowa seamstress Bobbi McCaughey gave birth to the world's first set of surviving septuplets, four boys and three girls.

In 2004, in one of the worst brawls in U.S. sports history, Ron Artest and Stephen Jackson of the Indiana Pacers charged into the stands

and fought with Detroit Pistons fans, forcing officials to end the Pacers' 97-82 win with 45.9 seconds left.

In 2007, Amazon.com released its first Kindle e-book reader.

**Ten years ago**  
Al-Qaida's No. 2, Ayman al-Zawahiri, slurred Barack Obama as a black American who does the bidding of whites in a new Web message intended to dent the president-elect's popularity among Arabs and Muslims. The Dow Jones industrial average closed under 9,000 at 7,997.28 — the lowest close since March 2003. Drama and dance critic Clive Barnes died in New York at age 81.

**Five years ago**  
Suicide bombers struck the Iranian Embassy in Beirut, killing 23 people, including a diplomat, and injuring more than 140 others. Virginia state Sen. Creigh Deeds was attacked and stabbed multiple times by his mentally ill adult son, Gus Deeds, who then took his own life. Diane Disney Miller, 79, daughter of Walt Disney and one of his inspirations for building the Disneyland theme park, died in Napa, California. The Disney animated feature *Frozen* had its Hollywood premiere.

**One year ago**  
Charles Manson, the hippie cult leader behind the gruesome murders of actress Sharon Tate and six others in Los Angeles in 1969, died in a California hospital at the age of 83 after nearly a half-century in prison. Longtime country music star Mel Tillis died in Florida at the age of 85. Actress and singer Della Reese died at 86 in her Los Angeles area home.

**Thought for Today**  
"The misfortunes hardest to bear are these which never came."

— Christopher Morley  
American author and journalist (1890-1957)

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# Exhibit 23



## PUBLIC VERIFICATION / PHYSICIAN PROFILE

### PHYSICIAN

NAME: GEORGE ADAMS RICHARDSON MD DATE: 04/09/2020

THE INFORMATION IN THIS BOX HAS BEEN VERIFIED  
BY THE TEXAS MEDICAL BOARD

**Date of Birth:** 1949

**License Number:** F1934 Full Medical License

**Issuance Date:** 08/27/1978

**Expiration Date of Physician's Registration Permit:** 08/31/2020

**Registration Status:** ACTIVE

**Registration Date:** 01/01/1978

**Disciplinary Status:** NONE

**Disciplinary Date:** NONE

**Licensure Status:** NONE

**Licensure Date:** NONE

**Medical School of Graduation:**

At the time of licensure, TMB verified the physician's graduation from medical school as follows:  
UNIV OF TX MEDICAL SCHOOL AT HOUSTON, HOUSTON, TX

**Medical School Graduation Year:** 1978

# Exhibit 24



# BREAKING NEWS

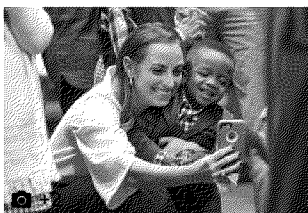


Special counsel Robert Mueller agrees to publicly testify about Trump-Russia report

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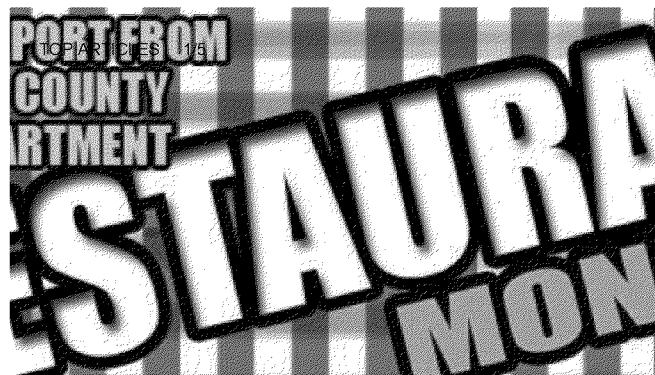
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# Exhibit 25

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Prescribed by Secretary of State  
Sec. 87.0431, Texas Election Code  
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### NOTICE OF REJECTED BALLOT

This is to serve as notice that your ballot for the General 2018 Election was rejected by the early voting ballot board and was not counted.

Name of Voter Abigail Adams Richardson  
VUID Number 1040885456

Reason for Rejection: (Check As Appropriate)

- ☐ 1) Certificate on carrier envelope was not properly executed.
  - ☐ You failed to sign your signature or make your mark.
  - ☐ The witness failed to indicate on the envelope that you could not make a mark.
  - ☐ The assistant or witness failed to print their name.
  - ☐ The assistant or witness failed to sign their name.
  - ☐ The residence address of the assistant or witness was not given.
- ☒ 2) It was determined that the signature on the application for ballot by mail and carrier envelope was not signed by the same person.
- ☐ 3) Application for ballot by mail did not state a legal ground for voting by mail.
- ☐ 4) Voter registration records indicated you did not have an effective registration for this election.
- ☐ 5) Address to which ballot was mailed was not outside the county. Voting early by mail due to expected absence from the county requires balloting materials be mailed to an address outside the county.
- ☐ 6) The residence address on the statement of residence is not located in the political subdivision conducting the election.
- ☐ 7) The mailing address on the application for ballot by mail did not match your voter registration address nor did the mailing address match any addresses provided on your statement of residence. Since you did not indicate on your application for a ballot by mail that you were having your ballot mailed to a hospital, retirement center, long term care facility, nursing home, jail, or a relative, your ballot was rejected.
- ☐ 8) The statement of residence was not included in the carrier envelope.
- ☐ 9) No identification was included with your mail ballot.
- ☐ 10) Other: \_\_\_\_\_

RW Davis  
Signature of Early Voting Ballot Board Judge

11/13/2018  
Date

**Ballot By Mail Request Form**

Registration Address  
 George Adams Richardson  
 4070 Sweetwater Dr  
 College Station, TX 77845

**OFFICE USE ONLY**  
 Voter ID: 1040885456  
 Precinct: 2



I am over 65 years of age and requesting an **Annual Ballot By Mail** to receive a ballot for all elections in 2018, including any **Democratic Party** elections, local elections, and the November 2018 General Election. Mail my ballots to the address indicated above (unless noted otherwise below).

**SIGNATURE (FIRMA)** *George Adams Richardson*

*Must be signed. Do not print. If you cannot sign, make a mark and have witness fill out the box to the right.*

I certify that the information given in this application is true, and I understand that giving false information in this application is a crime.

If you are not able to receive ballots at the address where you are registered to vote, the ballot may be mailed to an alternate address. This address may only be one of the following. Check which address you are using:

- ☐ A hospital, nursing home, retirement center or other long-term care facility.  
☐ The address of a person related to applicant. Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Mailing Address listed on applicant's voter registration card.

Mailing Address  
 George Richardson  
 4070 Sweetwater Dr  
 College Station, TX 77845

Address where ballot  
 should be sent, if different:

\_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

**FOR WITNESS (Only if Applicant Cannot Sign):**

If applicant is unable to make mark,

Witness shall check here: ☐

Witness Name \_\_\_\_\_

Witness Address \_\_\_\_\_

**Relationship to Applicant (Check One)**

☐ spouse ☐ child ☐ reside at same address as applicant  
☐ other: \_\_\_\_\_

Witness Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

If you are unable to sign your name (due to a physical disability or illiteracy), the application may be signed for you by a Witness. You must affix your mark to the application or, if you are unable to make a mark, then the Witness must sign and provide his or her printed name and residence address. Unless the Witness is a close relative of the voter (parent, grandparent, spouse, child or sibling), it is a Class B misdemeanor for a person to witness more than one application in a calendar year.





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SUITE 100  
BRYAN TX 77803  
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## BRAZOS COUNTY

November 26, 2018

Mr. George Richardson  
4070 Sweetwater Drive  
College Station, Texas 77845

RE: Ballot By Mail

Dear Mr. Richardson:

I saw in The Eagle that you had some concerns of how your ballot by mail was qualified for the November 6 General Election. I understand that you were upset but I want to assure you that we follow the Texas Election Code in the processes of qualifying a ballot that is received in the mail.

The early voting ballot board is comprised of individuals appointed by both parties. A team of two volunteers from opposite parties work together. The team compares the signature on the courier envelope to the signature on the application for ballot by mail to determine if the person that voted and returned the ballot is the same person who requested it. It is up to that team to make the determination if the signatures are similar enough to accept the ballot. This is the procedure that is set up in the Texas Election Code.

I hope this explanation helps ease your confusion and frustration with voting by mail. I have enclosed a copy of your application for ballot by mail and your courier envelope.

If you should have any questions, please feel free to contact me at any time.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Trudy Hancock".

Trudy R. Hancock, REO, CERA  
Elections Administrator

Enc.

**Instructions:** This envelope must be sealed and signed by the voter before it leaves the voter's hands. Do not sign this envelope unless the ballot has been marked by you or at your direction. This carrier envelope may not be used to return more than one voter's ballot. For instructions on the methods and deadlines to deliver this carrier envelope, see the "Information About Returning your Carrier Envelope," included with the materials sent to you with your ballot. (Instrucciones al Votante: Selle este sobre y después firme su nombre en el espacio proporcionado abajo. Este sobre debe de ser sellado y firmado por el votante antes de que el votante lo entregue. No firme este sobre a menos de que la boleta haya sido llenada por usted o bajo su dirección. Este sobre de envío no debe ser utilizado para entregar la bolsa de más de un solo votante. Para obtener instrucciones sobre los métodos y plazos para entregar este sobre de envío, vea la "Información Sobre Cómo Devolver su Sobre de Envío," incluido con los materiales enviados a usted con su boleta.)

certify that the enclosed ballot expresses my wishes independent of any dictation or undue persuasion by any person. (Certifico que la boleta adjunta expresa mis deseos independientemente de ningún dictado o persuasión indebida por parte de cualquier persona.)

**SEAL ENVELOPE AND SIGN OVER SEALED FLAP**  
(SELLE EL SOBRE Y FIRME ENCIMA DE SOLAPA DEL SOBRE)

SIGNATURE OR MARK OF VOTER (FIRMA O MARCA DEL VOTANTE)

**Instructions to Assistant:** A voter may only be assisted with reading or marking the ballot if they have a physical disability that renders them unable to write or see, or have an inability read the language in which the ballot is written. If you are assisting the voter, you must read the oath and complete the section below, before assisting the voter. (Instrucciones al Asistente: Un votante puede recibir ayuda para leer o llenar la boleta solamente si el votante tiene una discapacidad física la cual le impide escribir o ver, o si no tiene la habilidad de leer el lenguaje en el cual la boleta está escrita. Si usted le proporcionará ayuda a un votante, usted debe leer el juramento y llenar la siguiente sección abajo, antes de asistir al votante.)

**Oath of Person Assisting Voter:** I swear (o affirm) that I will not suggest, by word, sign, or gesture, how the voter should vote; I will confine my assistance to answering the voter's questions, to stating propositions on the ballot, and to naming candidates and, if listed, their political parties; I will prepare the voter's ballot as the voter directs; and I am not the voter's employer, an agent of the voter's employer, or an officer or agent of a labor union to which the voter belongs. (Juramento de la Persona Asistiendo al Votante: Juro (o afirmo) que no sugeriré con palabras, señales, o gestos, la manera en la cual el votante debe votar; limitaré mi asistencia a responder las preguntas del votante, leer propuestas en la boleta, nombrar los candidatos, y si es mencionado, su partido político; prepararé la boleta del votante de acuerdo a sus instrucciones; y yo no soy el empleador del votante, un agente del empleador del votante, o un oficial o agente de un sindicato al cual el votante pertenece.)

**Instructions to Witness:** You are serving as a witness for \_\_\_\_\_ (name of voter). You must complete the section below if you witness the mark of the voter, or if the voter cannot make a mark, check here \_\_\_\_\_. (Instrucciones al Testigo: Usted está sirviendo como testigo para \_\_\_\_\_ (nombre del votante). Usted debe llenar la siguiente sección abajo si usted fue testigo de que el votante firmó, o de que el votante no pudo firmar. Si el votante no puede firmar, marque sus iniciales aquí \_\_\_\_\_.)

**Instructions to Person Depositing Carrier Envelope in Mail or to Common or Contract Carrier:** If you are assisting a voter by depositing the carrier envelope in the mail or with a common or contract carrier, you must complete the section below. (Instrucciones a la Persona Quien Deposita el Sobre de Envío en el Correo o Entrega al Transportista Público Comercial: Si usted asistirá al votante a depositar el sobre de envío en el correo o con un transportista público o comercial, usted debe llenar la sección que aparece abajo.)

If you are an assistant or witness, check the appropriate box below and provide information: (Si usted es un asistente o testigo, marque la casilla correcta y proporcione su información):

Assistant/ Asistente	Signature (Firma)	Printed Name (Nombre Impreso)	Street Address (Domicilio residencial)
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1040885456 (BS11) 3093373120 2 RICHARDSON, GEORGE ADAMS 3070 SWEETWATER DR. COLLEGE STATION, TX 77845		Nombre de Elección:	Date of Election (Fecha de Elección): ____ / ____ / ____

# Exhibit 26

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
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SAN ANTONIO DIVISION

DR. GEORGE RICHARDSON,	)	
ROSALIE WEISFELD, AUSTIN	)	
JUSTICE COALITION,	)	
COALITION OF TEXANS WITH	)	
DISABILITIES, MOVE TEXAS	)	
CIVIC FUND, LEAGUE OF	)	
WOMEN VOTERS OF TEXAS, and	)	
AMERICAN GI FORUM OF	)	
TEXAS, INC.,	)	
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	)	
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TEXAS SECRETARY OF STATE,	)	
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OFFICIAL CAPACITY AS	)	
BRAZOS COUNTY ELECTIONS	)	
ADMINISTRATOR, AND PERLA	)	
LARA IN HER OFFICIAL	)	
CAPACITY AS CITY OF	)	
MCALLEN, TEXAS SECRETARY,	)	
Defendants.	)	

ORAL AND VIDEO DEPOSITION

ROSALIE WEISFELD

MAY 13, 2020

(REPORTED REMOTELY)

1 ORAL AND VIDEO DEPOSITION OF ROSALIE WEISFELD,  
2 produced as a witness at the instance of Defendant Texas  
3 Secretary of State and duly sworn, was taken in the  
4 above-styled and numbered cause on the 13th day of May,  
5 2020, from 2:04 p.m. to 4:40 p.m., before Dana  
6 Richardson, Certified Shorthand Reporter in and for the  
7 State of Texas, reported remotely by computerized  
8 stenotype machine, witness located at the residence of  
9 Rosalie Weisfeld, 9206 Cliffwood Drive, Houston, Texas  
10 77096, pursuant to the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure  
11 and the provisions stated on the record or attached  
12 hereto.

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Ms. Amelia Christopher, Video Technician - (via web)

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1 THE REPORTER: We're on the record.  
2 Today's date is May 13, 2020. The time is 2:04 p.m.  
3 This is the deposition of Rosalie Weisfeld in the matter  
4 of Dr. George Richardson, Rosalie Weisfeld, Austin  
5 Justin (sic) Coalition, Coalition of Texans With  
6 Disabilities, Move Texas Civic Fund, League of Women  
7 Voters of Texas and American GI Forum of Texas, Inc.,  
8 Plaintiffs, v. Texas Secretary of State, Trudy Hancock,  
9 In Her Official Capacity at Brazos County Elections  
10 Administrator, and Perla Lara In her Official Capacity  
11 as City of McAllen, Texas Secretary, Defendants, pending  
12 in the United States District Court for the Western  
13 District of Texas, San Antonio Division in Civil Action  
14 No. 5:19-cv-00963, and is being conducted by the Federal  
15 Rules and agreement of the parties to the remote  
16 swearing of the witness.

17 The witness located at 9206 Cliffwood  
18 Drive, Houston, Texas 77096.

19 My name is Dana Richardson, Texas  
20 Certified Shorthand Reporter No. 5386. I am  
21 administering the oath and reporting the deposition  
22 remotely by stenographic means from my residence within  
23 the state of Texas. My business address is care of  
24 Integrity Legal Support Solutions, P.O. Box 245,  
25 Manchaca, Texas 78652.

1 Ms. Weisfeld, please raise your right hand  
2 to be sworn.

3 (Witness sworn)

4 THE REPORTER: And, Counsel, would you  
5 please state your appearance and location for the  
6 record, beginning with Plaintiff counsel.

7 MR. DOLLING: Hi. This is Zachary Dolling  
8 for the plaintiffs. I'm in Houston, Texas.

9 MR. MIRZA: My name is Hani Mirza with the  
10 Texas Civil Rights Project. I'm also representing  
11 Plaintiffs. And I'm in Dallas, Texas.

12 MR. KALAR: Also for the plaintiffs, I'm  
13 Samuel Kalar of the law firm Willkie, Farr & Gallagher.  
14 And I am dialing in from New York, New York.

15 MS. SURIANI: And also for the plaintiffs,  
16 I am JoAnna Suriani with the law firm Willkie, Farr &  
17 Gallagher. I'm in Washington, DC.

18 MR. TAWIL: My name is Isaac Tawil,  
19 attorney for Perla Lara in her official capacity of  
20 Secretary of City of McAllen. I'm in McAllen, Texas.

21 MR. MAGEE: I'm Eric Magee. I represent  
22 Trudy Hancock in her official capacity as the Brazos  
23 County Elections Administrator. And I'm in Austin,  
24 Texas.

25 MS. MACKIN: My name is Anna Mackin with

1 determination that it wasn't my signature. And it was  
2 my signature. And so I feel that my -- I know that my  
3 right to vote was denied because my ballot was rejected.

4 **Q. And to be clear, the ballot that we're talking**  
5 **about, is that your ballot in the City of McAllen 2019**  
6 **runoff election?**

7 A. Correct. Yes.

8 **Q. I believe that was held June 22nd, 2019?**

9 A. I believe that that is the correct date.  
10 However, I voted by mail. So my ballot was mailed --  
11 was received and mailed the end of May.

12 **Q. Okay. And do you have any expectations for the**  
13 **outcome of this lawsuit, like what you hope to get out**  
14 **of it?**

15 A. I hope that no one else's ballot is ever  
16 rejected by someone that doesn't know them because they  
17 think their signature is not their signature.

18 **Q. Okay. And how did you meet your lawyers in**  
19 **this case? And to be clear, I'm -- I don't -- I'm not**  
20 **asking for the substance of their legal advice or**  
21 **privileged communications, just how you became**  
22 **acquainted with them.**

23 A. I -- when my ballot was rejected, I was  
24 actually at -- at home in McAllen. And so I didn't  
25 receive the letter because the letter was mailed to the



1 address in Houston. And I opened the letter on  
2 July 4th, when I was here in Houston; and when I saw  
3 that my ballot had been rejected, I was horrified. I  
4 was sickened. I was nauseated. I had voted in every  
5 single election there is and -- except for one -- and in  
6 all the years that I've been registered to vote. And I  
7 posted on Facebook what happened. And I don't recall  
8 exactly how it happened, but I had a subsequent -- I  
9 don't remember exactly what happened, but different  
10 friends replied back to me about things that were going  
11 on and -- and -- and horrified that it had happened to  
12 me and sad. And then -- oh, I -- I -- one of the -- I  
13 don't remember what happened exactly. So many different  
14 people called me or sent me messages and -- none of the  
15 attorneys did. And somehow I, though, found out about  
16 the Texas Civil Rights Project and I contacted -- I  
17 contacted them and that's how I came to be with them.

18 **Q. Okay. And so before your Facebook post and**  
19 **kind of folks messaging you and somewhere in that**  
20 **process getting linked up with the Texas Civil Rights**  
21 **Project, had you had any prior dealings with the Texas**  
22 **Civil Rights Project that you recall?**

23 A. Yes, but I don't remember exactly.

24 **Q. Okay. Do you -- do you know anything -- do you**  
25 **recall anything generally? And it's okay if not. I'm**

1 **Texas?**

2 A. By mail.

3 **Q. Okay. And anything besides that?**

4 A. Those are the only three ways I know that  
5 people can vote.

6 **Q. Okay. And have you voted in person on election**  
7 **day in Texas before?**

8 A. Yes.

9 **Q. I know it may not be -- it may be difficult to**  
10 **give a precise answer, but can you estimate about how**  
11 **many times?**

12 A. No.

13 **Q. That's fine. Have you voted in person early in**  
14 **Texas before?**

15 A. Yes.

16 **Q. And do you -- are you able to give a rough**  
17 **estimate of how many times?**

18 A. I don't recall.

19 **Q. Okay. That's fine.**

20 **And this -- this lawsuit, we're talking**  
21 **about the 2019 runoff election ballot by mail. Other**  
22 **than that election, have you voted by mail in Texas**  
23 **before?**

24 A. Yes, I have.

25 **Q. And are you able to approximate about how many**

1 times you've done that?

2 A. No.

3 Q. That's fine.

4 The last time you voted in person in  
5 Texas, did you have to do anything to verify that you  
6 were Rosalie Weisfeld?

7 A. Yes.

8 Q. Do you remember what you had to do?

9 A. I had to show a picture ID. The voter  
10 registration card that I received doesn't even --  
11 doesn't work, which is kind of crazy, because it is the  
12 voter registration card; but that's not necessary to  
13 vote. You have to show a picture ID.

14 Q. Can you think of a time that you voted in  
15 person in Texas when you didn't have to show a form of  
16 identification?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. How many times?

19 A. For years, before the law was changed.

20 Q. Okay. Tell me about that.

21 A. I don't understand the question.

22 Q. Okay. So you -- as I understood your  
23 testimony -- and correct me if I'm wrong -- you  
24 mentioned that a law changed and after that, you had to  
25 start identifying yourself to vote in person, but before

1 that, you weren't required to provide a form of  
2 identification to vote. Did I understand your  
3 testimony?

4 A. No, no, no. It's a difference between a  
5 picture ID and then you had the voter registration card  
6 that you could take in or you could take in any kind of  
7 identification.

8 Q. I see. So the change was from a form of  
9 identification to a form of photo identification?

10 A. Yes. And only a specific form of  
11 identification. So, like, a student ID card wouldn't  
12 count now -- doesn't count now.

13 Q. Okay. So let me try to ask my question a  
14 little bit better. Do you remember a time that you  
15 voted in Texas where you didn't have to provide any form  
16 of identification at all in person?

17 A. Not to my recollection.

18 Q. And to your knowledge, have you ever had a  
19 ballot rejected other than in the 2019 City of McAllen  
20 runoff election?

21 A. No, never.

22 Q. So it sounds from your testimony like it would  
23 be fair to say you vote regularly. Is that right?

24 A. Yes, that is correct.

25 Q. Would you describe yourself as politically

1   **active?**

2       A.    Yes.

3       **Q.    And in what ways?**

4       A.    I do my best to prepare myself before I go to  
5   vote.  I read about all the candidates.  If possible, I  
6   meet them.  I go to their functions.  I listen to  
7   televised debates.  I -- if it's an issue, I study it.  
8   Now, with the computer, it's even easier.  Can go to the  
9   candidates' websites or Facebook pages or other social  
10  media.  Resources, outlets to -- to -- to get  
11  information on the candidate themselves.  If I can't  
12  meet them, sometimes I'll call them, talk to them on the  
13  phone.

14       **Q.    I think most people would agree that more of us**  
15 **should be that engaged and be paying that much attention**  
16 **to the -- to the political process.  So that is -- that**  
17 **is appreciated.**

18               **You mentioned studying some issues.  Are**  
19 **there any issues that are particularly important to you?**

20       A.    It depends on the -- you mean in regards to the  
21  candidates and how I decide to vote for them?

22       **Q.    I mean regarding just sort of issues that are**  
23 **frequently kind of debated and discussed in our current**  
24 **political climate.  So maybe an issue that you might**  
25 **think it was important enough to be active on**

1 **independent -- like, apart from any candidate?**

2 A. I study the candidates. I have particular,  
3 yes, issues that are a concern to me; and I choose the  
4 candidate that I intend to vote for based on their  
5 positions and how I feel they will best represent my --  
6 represent me and the concerns I have. Is that what  
7 you're asking?

8 **Q. Yeah. Sure. Can you give me a few examples of**  
9 **those issues that are particularly important to you in**  
10 **deciding which candidates to support?**

11 A. Well, for example, I'll use the city election  
12 without telling you my -- who I voted for because that's  
13 not -- that's private and privileged information. But I  
14 talked to the candidates and observed them, listened to  
15 them on issues pertaining to the City such as business,  
16 parks, environment, the recycling program we have now in  
17 place, economic issues, how they plan to work together  
18 with the school district and made my decision based on  
19 their -- their interests and where they stood on those  
20 particular issues.

21 **Q. Okay. Thank you for that.**

22 I want to now focus in on the 2019 City of  
23 McAllen runoff election that is kind of at the center of  
24 your claims in this case. When we were discussing  
25 voting by mail earlier, you mentioned that had you voted



1 by mail several times in the past. Has that always been  
2 because you were outside the county, or was there ever  
3 another reason that you were eligible to vote by mail?

4 A. It was because I was outside the county during  
5 the election period, both early voting and election day.

6 Q. And for this 2019 City of McAllen runoff  
7 election, that was also the reason you were eligible,  
8 because you were outside the county?

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. Okay. Do you remember when you applied for the  
11 ballot in the 2019 City of McAllen runoff election? And  
12 I mean the ballot by mail, just to be crystal clear.

13 A. For the runoff?

14 Q. Yes, ma'am.

15 A. It was either in April or May. It was after  
16 the election, and there was a requirement -- I mean, one  
17 of the races was in -- there was a runoff. And so when  
18 the runoff was declared, I knew I would be out of town.

19 Q. How did you know that you would be out of town?

20 A. My niece was graduating from college, and I  
21 knew that I would be out of the state and -- well, out  
22 of the county because I was going to visit the family.

23 Q. And where were you visiting family for the  
24 graduation?

25 A. In New York. I was in New York.

1 A. No.

2 Q. -- City of McAllen runoff election? Just to be  
3 clear.

4 A. No.

5 Q. No, you're fine. It's -- it's a total tendency  
6 that we have in normal conversation. So you're fine.

7 All right. I'm going to show you a  
8 document, and please let me know once you're able to  
9 open and view that document.

10 A. Okay. I see it.

11 Q. Do you recognize -- oh, and I will make this  
12 document Exhibit 2 to this deposition.

13 (Exhibit 2 marked)

14 A. Yeah. It's sideways. So just a minute. Let  
15 me kind of turn my head to -- oh, I see. It's my  
16 application.

17 Q. (BY MS. MACKIN) And, Ms. Weisfeld, I think if  
18 you go up -- are you in Adobe?

19 A. I can see it.

20 Q. Are you --

21 A. I can see it. I can read it.

22 Q. Okay. Because if you click "View" and rotate  
23 "View," you might be -- you can flip it around just so  
24 you don't have to turn your head to the side. But as  
25 long as it's clear on your screen, that is -- that is

1 **fine.**

2 A. Okay.

3 MR. DOLLING: I think that if you  
4 right-click the document in -- in the menu that pops up,  
5 you see about halfway down, it says "rotate clockwise"?  
6 You do that one.

7 A. Got it. Yeah, I see it now. Now I did it.  
8 Yeah. Got it. Okay.

9 Q. (BY MS. MACKIN) And so I just want to make  
10 sure. I'm going to back up a little bit. Do you  
11 recognize this document?

12 A. Yes. That's my application.

13 Q. Application for what?

14 A. For the -- the City election in May.

15 Q. For the ballot by mail for the 2019 City of  
16 McAllen election?

17 A. Correct.

18 Q. And then if you'll look down under 6b, like  
19 "boy" --

20 A. Yes.

21 Q. -- there's a little check next to "Any  
22 Resulting Runoff."

23 A. Correct.

24 Q. So was this application the application for  
25 your ballot by mail in the 2019 City of McAllen runoff

1 **election?**

2 A. Yes. I voted in the May election because I was  
3 out of town. And I had clicked off -- checked off any  
4 resulting runoff, but then I don't -- someone from the  
5 City called me to verify that I do -- did still want a  
6 ballot for the runoff election. It was either Perla or  
7 somebody in the office. And I said, "Yes, I do."

8 Q. And you mentioned -- you mentioned Perla and  
9 referring to her on a first-name basis. Would you say  
10 that you-all have a -- a personal relationship?

11 A. We have a working relationship.

12 Q. Okay. How long have you known Ms. Lara?

13 A. For many years. She was the assistant -- she  
14 was the assistant before she -- before she became the --  
15 the secretary.

16 Q. Okay. And is that how you became acquainted  
17 with her?

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. All right. And down under the number 10,  
20 there's an "X." And next to that is a signature. Is  
21 that your signature?

22 A. Yes, it is.

23 Q. Okay. And when you completed this application,  
24 what was your understanding of what that signature would  
25 be used for?

1 Q. -- for your ballot by mail.

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. Is it possible that you were at that address  
4 from April 1st to May 10th of 2019?

5 A. I -- I could have been here for part of it, but  
6 it was the address that I requested that the ballot be  
7 mailed to.

8 Q. And why did you choose that address if you were  
9 only going to be there for part of the time?

10 A. Because I'm engaged to be married and it is the  
11 address of my fiancė%.

12 Q. Well, what cause for celebration. I am, too,  
13 actually. We had to postpone our wedding because of the  
14 pandemic.

15 A. Congratulations.

16 Q. Thank you.

17 And so you mentioned that you don't  
18 specifically recall where you were for the entire period  
19 of absence. Do you remember any of the places you might  
20 have been besides Houston?

21 A. I really don't. No.

22 Q. Would it be fair to say that you travel quite a  
23 bit?

24 A. Yes, it is. That is true.

25 Q. And why do you have occasion to travel so

1 often?

2 A. I'm very close to my family, and I travel to --  
3 primarily to see my -- my family.

4 Q. And I know you mentioned New York. Where else  
5 do you have family located?

6 A. California. And Mark has family in Colorado,  
7 and so do I. And I'm trying to think of where I might  
8 have been during that time. I kind of think I might  
9 have been -- I might have gone skiing for the last  
10 weekend in -- of ski season.

11 Q. And just to be clear on the record, is -- is  
12 Mark your fiancē %?

13 A. Yes.

14 Q. All right. I'm done with Exhibit 2 for now.  
15 You can close out of that document?

16 A. Uh-huh.

17 Q. And we may have already covered this, but I  
18 just want to make sure that the record is clear. Have  
19 you ever voted in -- you have voted in person in the  
20 City of McAllen in the past, right?

21 A. Yes. Yes.

22 Q. And do you recall when you received your ballot  
23 by mail for the 2019 City of McAllen runoff election?

24 A. I don't recall the exact date, but it was  
25 either the -- the end of March or first of April, I



1 ballot," and told them why and what happened.

2 Q. And so as I'm understanding your testimony,  
3 that was in the May election?

4 A. Correct.

5 Q. Do you remember when you received your mail-in  
6 ballot for the June runoff election in 2019?

7 A. It was either the day before or the day that I  
8 flew to New York.

9 Q. Do you know when that was?

10 A. It was the end of May.

11 Q. Okay. And your ballot in the runoff election,  
12 did it also have the issue of having one of the  
13 envelopes already sealed?

14 A. No, it didn't.

15 Q. Okay. In that general election, the May  
16 election, where you had the issue with the sealed  
17 envelope, do you know if your ballot was counted for  
18 that May election?

19 A. I presume so because I did not receive a letter  
20 of rejection.

21 Q. I'm going to show you a document that I will  
22 make Exhibit 3 to this deposition.

23 (Exhibit 3 marked)

24 Q. (BY MR. BAUER) Please let me know when you are  
25 able to open that document and take a look at it.

1 A. Is that the carrier envelope PDF?

2 Q. Yes, ma'am. That's the title of the -- of the  
3 file.

4 A. Okay.

5 Q. Do you recognize this document?

6 A. Let me turn it again. Just a second. It'll  
7 make it easier to look at.

8 Okay. Yes. That is the carrier envelope,  
9 and you -- oh, see, it's dated the end of May, as I -- I  
10 said, that -- yeah, the end of May. And it's from New  
11 York.

12 Q. And you're referring here to the -- the  
13 postmark?

14 A. Correct.

15 Q. Looks like May 29th, 2019, from something I  
16 can't quite read, NY.

17 A. It's New York. It was from -- I think I --  
18 I -- I don't -- I put it in the mailbox around the  
19 corner from my niece and nephew's townhouse.

20 Q. And it looks, from the City Secretary's Office  
21 stamp on the envelope, like this was received in the  
22 McAllen City Secretary's Office on June 3rd, 2019.  
23 Would you have any reason to -- to doubt that?

24 A. That -- that sounds accurate for the mail.

25 Q. Okay. And then turning to -- this is a -- this

1 A. Yes.

2 Q. Okay. And do you recall -- that's all I have  
3 on Exhibit 3. Thank you. You can close out of that.

4 Do you recall --

5 MR. DOLLING: Excuse me. Anna, do you  
6 mind? I just wanted to check in on Rosalie and see if  
7 maybe she wanted to take a break right now.

8 THE WITNESS: Yeah, that -- that would be  
9 really nice. Thank you so much. I'm starting to fade.

10 MS. MACKIN: Would you mind if I ask just  
11 one more question, and then we can take a break?

12 MR. DOLLING: I think that's agreeable.  
13 Is that okay, Rosalie?

14 THE WITNESS: Can we just wait?

15 MS. MACKIN: Sure.

16 THE REPORTER: Okay. We're off the record  
17 at 2:59 p.m.

18 (Recess taken)

19 THE REPORTER: We're back on the record at  
20 3:13 p.m.

21 Q. (BY MS. MACKIN) Ms. Weisfeld, just one last  
22 question about your New York trip in late May of 2019.  
23 Do you remember when you returned?

24 A. When -- when I returned to --

25 Q. Well, when you returned -- when you returned

1 from that trip.

2 A. I don't.

3 Q. Okay. And after that trip, did you immediately  
4 come back to Texas?

5 A. I don't recall. I don't recall because several  
6 of my family members were having graduations and I went  
7 to California and -- I think I went to California. I  
8 don't recall all the places I went to for graduations.

9 Q. Okay.

10 A. And we had a -- we had other family -- thank  
11 God they were celebrations, to attend during that time  
12 period.

13 Q. All right. I'm going to share a document with  
14 you, and this will be Exhibit 4 to this deposition.

15 (Exhibit 4 marked)

16 Q. (BY MS. MACKIN) And please let me know when  
17 you are able to open up that document and take a look at  
18 it.

19 A. I see it.

20 Q. Okay. Do you recognize Exhibit 4?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. What is it?

23 A. It's the letter of rejection that I received.

24 Q. And is this letter the first notice you  
25 received that your ballot had been rejected?

1 the mail was delivered and then you could figure out  
2 what day, but I don't know.

3 **Q. Okay. That's fine. Thank you for that.**

4 **And on Exhibit 4, what does it indicate is**  
5 **the reason that your ballot in the 2019 City of McAllen**  
6 **runoff election was rejected?**

7 A. It says -- there's a checkmark next to No. 2:  
8 "It was determined that the signature on the application  
9 for ballot by mail and carrier envelope was not signed  
10 by the same person." But that's not true. And it --  
11 they could have called me and asked me or sent me an  
12 e-mail or sent me a letter, somehow communicated with me  
13 and asked me and especially when I told them I was  
14 mailing it from New York. I said, "I'm going to be in  
15 New York." And they did not -- and it was mailed from  
16 New York.

17 MS. MACKIN: I'm just going to object to  
18 that last answer as nonresponsive because all I'm trying  
19 to explore here is the reason indicated on this notice.

20 A. Oh, okay.

21 **Q. (BY MS. MACKIN) I --**

22 A. Then it's the first part of my answer. "It was  
23 determined that the signature on the application for  
24 ballot by mail and carrier envelope was not signed by  
25 the same person."

1 **Lara. Is that right?**

2 A. Correct. Yes.

3 **Q. Okay. And so you sent this e-mail, it appears,**  
4 **on April 11th, 2019, correct?**

5 A. Correct.

6 **Q. Okay. And why didn't you reach out to Yesenia**  
7 **or Perla when you received your notice of rejected**  
8 **ballot in June -- well --**

9 A. No. I received it on July 4th.

10 **Q. The notice of rejected ballot dated June 22nd,**  
11 **2019, why -- why didn't you reach out to Yesenia or**  
12 **Perla when you received that notice?**

13 A. It was July 4th, and the offices were closed.

14 **Q. And why didn't you reach out to anyone at the**  
15 **City of McAllen Secretary's Office after that?**

16 A. I don't know if I -- I don't -- I don't --  
17 well, I don't recall whether I did or I didn't  
18 afterwards, but I -- it -- it was -- it was already  
19 over. The decision had been made. The letter had been  
20 received. The election was over.

21 **Q. And so are there any circumstances under which**  
22 **you would have reached out to Perla or Yesenia or**  
23 **someone in the City of McAllen Secretary's Office about**  
24 **the notice of rejected ballot?**

25 A. Honestly, I thought I had; but maybe I didn't.



1           A.     I haven't been able to go to McAllen because I  
2 was in a serious car accident. Both vehicles were  
3 totaled, and I suffered from a concussion. I have a  
4 traumatic brain injury. I go to TIRR here in Houston.  
5 It's a very well-known hospital. It's a clinic, and  
6 it's for people with traumatic brain injuries. And I go  
7 to speech therapy, occupational therapy, physical  
8 therapy. And I go to Love Your Brain for -- also.

9           **Q.     Okay.**

10          A.     I have not been able to go home. I have had to  
11 cancel probably ten airplane tickets so far since the  
12 accident because I have to go -- I have to go to -- to  
13 therapy.

14          **Q.     And prior to the accident, how much time were**  
15 **you spending in McAllen?**

16          A.     I would be home a lot.

17          **Q.     Can you quantify a lot?**

18          A.     A couple of -- a week or so every month or  
19 sometimes two weeks, I would be at home. All my clothes  
20 are still hanging in my closet. My shoes are there.  
21 Everything is there. All my plates and all my --  
22 everything's there. I -- I've been wanting to go home  
23 so many times, and the doctor said I can't go home.  
24 They -- now the doctor said I could go home, but now I  
25 can't go home because of Corona Virus.

1 STATE OF TEXAS  
2 COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY

3 REPORTER'S CERTIFICATE

4 I, Dana Richardson, a Certified Shorthand Reporter  
5 in and for the State of Texas, do certify that this  
6 deposition transcript is a true record of the testimony  
7 given by the witness named herein, after said witness  
8 was duly sworn by me. The witness was requested to  
9 review the deposition.

10 I further certify that I am neither attorney or  
11 counsel for, related to, nor employed by any parties to  
12 the action in which this testimony is taken and,  
13 further, that I am not a relative or employee of any  
14 counsel employed by the parties hereto or financially  
15 interested in the action.

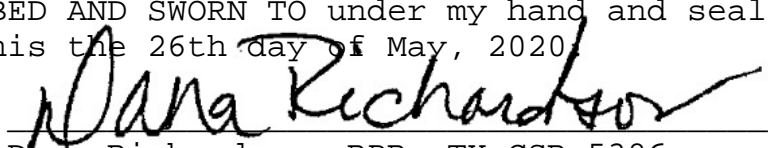
16 I further certify that the amount of time used by  
17 each party at the deposition is as follows:

18 Ms. Anna Mackin - 01:41

19 Mr. Isaac Tawil - 00:20

20 Mr. Zachary D. Dolling - 00:01

21 SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO under my hand and seal of  
22 office on this the 26th day of May, 2020

23   
Dana Richardson, RPR, TX CSR 5386

24 Expiration: 01/31/22

25 Integrity Legal Support Solutions

Firm Registration No. 528

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Manchaca, Texas 78652

(512) 320-8690

(512) 320-8692 (fax)

# Exhibit 27

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Application for Ballot by Mail		Prescribed by the Office of the Secretary of State of Texas AS-16 12/17		For Official Use Only VUID#, County Election Precinct #, Statement of Residence, etc.	
1	Last Name (Please print information)	2	First Name	3	Middle Initial
	Weistfeld ✓		Rosalie ✓		— ✓
4	Residence Address: See back of this application for instructions.	5	City	6	State
	4801 North 16th Street ✓		McAllen ✓		TX
7	Mail my ballot to: If mailing address differs from residence address, please complete Box #7.	8	City	9	State
	9206 Cliffwood Drive ✓		Houston		TX
10	Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) (Optional)	11	Contact Information (Optional)* Please list phone number and/or email address: * Used in case our office has questions.	12	ZIP Code
	06/16/1956 ✓		956.793-5814 rosalie.weistfeld@gmail.com		77096
13	Reason for Voting by Mail:	14	If you are requesting this ballot be mailed to a different address (other than residence), indicate where the ballot will be mailed. See reverse for instructions.	15	Mailing Address as listed on my voter registration certificate
	<input type="checkbox"/> 65 years of age or older. (Complete Box #5a)		<input type="checkbox"/> Address of the jail		<input type="checkbox"/> Address of the jail
	<input type="checkbox"/> Disability. (Complete Box #5a)		<input type="checkbox"/> Nursing home, assisted living facility, or long term care facility		<input type="checkbox"/> Relative; relationship _____
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Expected absence from the county. (Complete Box #5b and Box #8) You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only.		<input type="checkbox"/> Hospital		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Address outside the county (see Box #8)
	<input type="checkbox"/> Confinement in jail. (Complete Box #5b) You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only.		<input type="checkbox"/> Retirement Center		
16a	ONLY Voters 65 Years of Age or Older or Voters with a Disability: If applying for one election, select appropriate box. If applying once for elections in the calendar year, select "Annual Application."	17	If you selected "expected absence from the county," see reverse for instructions	18	Date you can begin to receive mail at this address
	<input type="checkbox"/> Annual Application		<input type="checkbox"/> Address of the jail		04/01/2019
	Uniform and Other Elections: <input type="checkbox"/> May Election <input type="checkbox"/> November Election <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____		Primary Elections: You must declare one political party to vote in a primary: <input type="checkbox"/> Democratic Primary <input type="checkbox"/> Republican Primary <input type="checkbox"/> Any Resulting Runoff		05/10/2019 ✓
16b	ONLY Voters Absent from County or Voters Confined in Jail: You may only apply for a ballot by mail for one election, and any resulting runoff. Please select the appropriate box.	19	Voters may submit a completed, signed, and scanned application to the Early Voting Clerk at: (early voting clerk's e-mail address) _____ (early voting clerk's fax) _____ NOTE: If you fax or e-mail this form, please be aware that you must also mail the form to the early voting clerk within four business days. See "Submitting Application" on the back of this form for additional information.	20	I certify that the information given in this application is true, and I understand that giving false information in this application is a crime.
	Uniform and Other Elections: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> May Election <input type="checkbox"/> November Election <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Any Resulting Runoff
	Primary Elections: You must declare one political party to vote in a primary: <input type="checkbox"/> Democratic Primary <input type="checkbox"/> Republican Primary <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Any Resulting Runoff				
SIGN HERE If applicant is unable to sign or make a mark in the presence of a witness, the witness shall complete Box #11.					
→ X Rosalie Weistfeld Date 3/27/2019 ✓					
If someone helped you to complete this form or mails the form for you, then that person must complete the sections below.					
21	See back for Witness and Assistant definitions. If applicant is unable to mark Box #10 and you are acting as a Witness to that fact, please check this box and sign below.	22	If you assisted the applicant in completing this application in the applicant's presence or e-mailed/mailed or faxed the application on behalf of the applicant, please check this box as an Assistant and sign below.	23	* If you are acting as Witness and Assistant, please check both boxes. Failure to complete this information is a Class A misdemeanor if signature was witnessed or applicant was assisted in completing the application.
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>		
	Signature of Witness/Assistant		Printed Name of Witness/Assistant		Witness' Relationship to Applicant (Refer to Instructions on back for clarification).
	Street Address		City		
	Apt Number (if applicable)		State		
	State		ZIP Code		

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Rosalie Weistfeld

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# Exhibit 28

**WARNING:** (1) Knowingly possessing another person's ballot or carrier envelope may be a crime unless you provide your signature, printed name and address (2) A person commits an offense if the person compensates another person or receives compensation for depositing a carrier envelope in the mail as part of a scheme in which the person is compensated based on the number of carrier envelopes deposited. For additional information on offenses related to carrier envelopes, please see the "Information About Returning your Carrier Envelope," included with the materials sent to you with your ballot.

**ADVERTENCIA:** (1) El acto de poseer conscientemente la boleta o el sobre de envío de otra persona puede ser un delito a menos de que usted proporcione su firma, nombre impreso, y su dirección. (2) Una persona comete un delito si recompensa o recibe compensación a cambio de depositar el sobre de envío en el correo como parte de un plan en el cual la persona es recompensada en base al número de sobres de envío depositados. Para obtener información adicional sobre los delitos relacionados con los sobres de envío, por favor vea la "Información Sobre Cómo Devolver su Sobre de Envío," incluido con los materiales enviados a usted con su boleta.

**Weisfeld, Rosalie**  
**VOID# 1054678350 SMD 5**  
**June 22, 2019**  
**Run-Off Election**

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**CARRIER ENVELOPE FOR EARLY VOTING BALLOT**  
**(SOBRE DE ENVÍO PARA LA BOLETA DE VOTACIÓN ANTICIPADA)**

**TO (A):**

**Perla Lara, City Secretary**

Early Voting Clerk (*Secretario de Votación Anticipada*)

**P.O. Box 220/1300 Houston Ave**

Mailing Address (*Dirección Postal*)

**McAllen**

City (*Ciudad*)

Texas

**78505-0220**

Zip (*Código Postal*)

78505\$9999



**Instructions:** This envelope must be sealed and signed by the voter before it leaves the voter's hands. Do not sign this envelope unless the ballot has been marked by you or at your direction. This carrier envelope may not be used to return more than one voter's ballot. For instructions on the methods and deadlines to deliver this carrier envelope, see the "Information About Returning your Carrier Envelope," included with the materials sent to you with your ballot. (Instrucciones al Votante: Selle este sobre y después firme su nombre en el espacio proporcionado abajo. Este sobre debe de ser sellado y firmado por el votante antes de que el votante lo entregue. No firme este sobre a menos de que la boleta haya sido llenada por usted o bajo su dirección. Este sobre de envío no debe ser utilizado para entregar la boleta de más de un solo votante. Para obtener instrucciones sobre los métodos y plazos para entregar este sobre de envío, vea la "Información Sobre Cómo Devolver su Sobre de Envío," incluido con los materiales enviados a usted con su boleta.

I certify that the enclosed ballot expresses my wishes independent of any dictation or undue persuasion by any person. (Certifico que la boleta adjunta expresa mis deseos independientemente de ningún dictado o persuasión indebida por parte de cualquier persona.)

SEAL ENVELOPE AND SIGN OVER SEALED FLAP  
(SELLE EL SOBRE Y FIRME ENCIMA DE SOLAPA DEL SOBRE)

X Rosalie Weistfeld  
SIGNATURE OR MARK OF VOTER (FIRMA O MARCA DEL VOTANTE)

**Instructions to Assistant:** A voter may only be assisted with reading or marking the ballot if they have a physical disability that renders them unable to write or see, or have an inability to read the language in which the ballot is written. If you are assisting the voter, you must read the oath and complete the section below, before assisting the voter. (Instrucciones al Asistente: Un votante puede recibir ayuda para leer o llenar la boleta solamente si el votante tiene una discapacidad física la cual le impide escribir o ver, o si no tiene la habilidad de leer el lenguaje en el cual la boleta está escrita. Si usted le proporcionará ayuda a un votante, usted debe leer el juramento y llenar la siguiente sección abajo, antes de asistir al votante.)

**Oath of Person Assisting Voter:** I swear (or affirm) that I will not suggest, by word, sign, or gesture, how the voter should vote; I will confine my assistance to answering the voter's questions, to stating propositions on the ballot, and to naming candidates and, if listed, their political parties; I will prepare the voter's ballot as the voter directs; and I am not the voter's employer, an agent of the voter's employer, or an officer or agent of a labor union to which the voter belongs. (Juramento de la Persona Asistiendo al Votante: Juro (o afirmo) que no sugeriré con palabras, señales, o gestos, la manera en la cual el votante debe votar; limitaré mi asistencia a responder las preguntas del votante, leer propuestas en la boleta, nombrar a los candidatos, y si es mencionado, su partido político; prepararé la boleta del votante de acuerdo a sus instrucciones; y yo no soy el empleador del votante, un agente del empleador del votante, o un oficial o agente de un sindicato al cual el votante pertenece.)

**Instructions to Witness:** You are serving as a witness for \_\_\_\_\_ (name of voter). You must complete the section below if you witness the mark of the voter, or if the voter cannot make a mark. If the voter cannot make a mark, check here \_\_\_\_\_. (Instrucciones al Testigo: Usted está fungiendo como testigo para \_\_\_\_\_ (nombre del votante). Usted debe llenar la siguiente sección abajo si usted fue testigo de que el votante firmó, o de que el votante no puede firmar. Si el votante no puede firmar, marque sus iniciales aquí: \_\_\_\_\_.)

**Instructions to Person Depositing Carrier Envelope in Mail or to Common or Contract Carrier:** If you are assisting a voter by depositing the carrier envelope in the mail or with a common or contract carrier, you must complete the section below. (Instrucciones a la Persona Quien Deposita el Sobre de Envío en el Correo o Entregue al Transportista Público o Comercial: Si usted asistirá al votante a depositar el sobre de envío en el correo o con un transportista público o comercial, usted debe llenar la sección que aparece abajo.)

If you are an assistant or witness, check the appropriate box below and provide information: (Si usted es un asistente o testigo, marque la casilla correcta y proporcione su información):

<input type="checkbox"/> Assistant/ Asistente	Signature (Firma)	Printed Name (Nombre impreso)	Street Address (Domicilio residencial)
<input type="checkbox"/> Witness/ Testigo			
<input type="checkbox"/> Assistant/ Asistente	Signature (Firma)	Printed Name (Nombre impreso)	Street Address (Domicilio residencial)
<input type="checkbox"/> Witness/ Testigo			

Completed by Early Voting Clerk: Name of Election (Nombre de Elección):

**Run-Off Election**

Name of Voter (Nombre del votante): Rosalie Weistfeld

Date of Election (Fecha de Elección): June 22, 2019



# Exhibit 29

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Prescribed by Secretary of State  
Sec. 87.0431, Texas Election Code  
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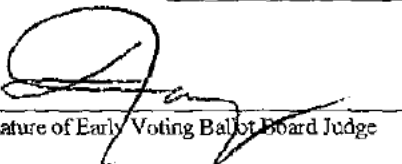
### NOTICE OF REJECTED BALLOT

This is to serve as notice that your ballot for the June 22, 2019 Election was rejected by the early voting ballot board and was not counted.

Name of Voter Weisfeld, Rosalie  
VUID Number 1054678350

Reason for Rejection: (Check As Appropriate)

- ☐ 1) Certificate on carrier envelope was not properly executed.  
☐ You failed to sign your signature or make your mark.  
☐ The witness failed to indicate on the envelope that you could not make a mark.  
☐ The assistant or witness failed to print their name.  
☐ The assistant or witness failed to sign their name.  
☐ The residence address of the assistant or witness was not given.
- ☒ 2) It was determined that the signature on the application for ballot by mail and carrier envelope was not signed by the same person.
- ☐ 3) Application for ballot by mail did not state a legal ground for voting by mail.
- ☐ 4) Voter registration records indicated you did not have an effective registration for this election.
- ☐ 5) Address to which ballot was mailed was not outside the county. Voting early by mail due to expected absence from the county requires balloting materials be mailed to an address outside the county.
- ☐ 6) The residence address on the statement of residence is not located in the political subdivision conducting the election.
- ☐ 7) The mailing address on the application for ballot by mail did not match your voter registration address nor did the mailing address match any addresses provided on your statement of residence. Since you did not indicate on your application for a ballot by mail that you were having your ballot mailed to a hospital, retirement center, long term care facility, nursing home, jail, or a relative, your ballot was rejected.
- ☐ 8) The statement of residence was not included in the carrier envelope.
- ☐ 9) No identification was included with your mail ballot.
- ☐ 10) Other:

  
Signature of Early Voting Ballot Board Judge

June 22, 2019  
Date

**Weisfeld, Rosalie**  
**9206 Cliffwood Drive**  
**Houston TX 77096**

# Exhibit 30

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
SAN ANTONIO DIVISION

DR. GEORGE RICHARDSON, ROSALIE §  
WEISFELD, AUSTIN JUSTICE §  
COALITION, COALITION OF TEXANS §  
WITH DISABILITIES, MOVE TEXAS §  
CIVIC FUND, LEAGUE OF WOMEN §  
VOTERS OF TEXAS, and AMERICAN GI §  
FORUM OF TEXAS, INC., §

*Plaintiffs*

v.

TEXAS SECRETARY OF STATE, TRUDY §  
HANCOCK, in her official capacity as §  
BRAZOS COUNTY ELECTIONS §  
ADMINISTRATOR, and PERLA LARA in §  
her official capacity as CITY OF MCALLEN, §  
TEXAS SECRETARY, §

*Defendants.*

Civil Case No. 5:19-cv-00963-OG

**DECLARATION OF ROSALIE WEISFELD**

My name is Rosalie Weisfeld. I am over the age of 18 and capable of making this declaration. The facts stated herein are within my personal knowledge.

1. I am a resident of McAllen, Texas and eligible to vote in Hidalgo County, Texas, in which the City of McAllen is located.
2. I have voted in every election for which I was eligible, except for one, since I registered to vote more than 40 years ago, including school board, city council, primary, runoff, constitutional, presidential, and gubernatorial elections.
3. I have frequently travelled for professional engagements in the past and currently travel frequently to see friends and family. As a result, I have voted by mail in the past numerous times on the basis of being absent from Hidalgo County during the time for an election.



4. I knew I would be traveling outside of Hidalgo County to visit family during the May 2019 general election. I therefore decided to apply to vote by mail for that election and for any resulting runoff. I included both my phone number and e-mail address on the application.
5. I filled in and signed an application to vote by mail for that election and sent it to the City of McAllen. The city then sent me a mail-in ballot for the May 2019 election and a carrier envelope for the ballot. I filled in the ballot and signed the carrier envelope and returned both to the city.
6. The May election results necessitated a runoff election, to take place on June 22, 2019.
7. The city sent me another mail-in ballot, this time for the runoff election, and a carrier envelope for the ballot. I filled in the ballot and signed the carrier envelope and mailed them to the city on May 29, 2019. The city received the carrier envelope containing the ballot on June 3, 2019.
8. On July 4, 2019, I visited my fiancé's residence in Houston, Texas—the mailing address I put down on my application for a ballot by mail—and found a notice of rejection from McAllen in the mailbox.
9. The notice was dated June 22, 2019. The envelope containing the notice was postmarked June 26, 2019.
10. The notice of rejection indicated that the McAllen early voting ballot board had rejected my ballot for the June 22 runoff election because "[i]t was determined that the signature on the application for ballot by mail and carrier envelope was not signed by the same person."
11. I was extremely upset by the rejection of my ballot.
12. I would have readily confirmed that it was my signature on both my application for the ballot by mail and the carrier envelope containing my mail-in ballot if anyone from McAllen had contacted me after the early voting ballot board initially and incorrectly

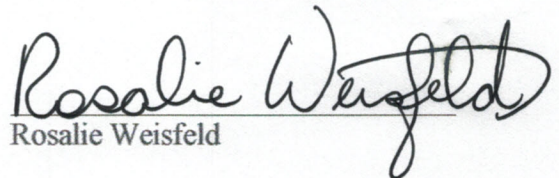


determined that I had not written both signatures. The city had both my phone number and my e-mail address, which I included on my application to vote by mail. My application also contained both my mailing address and my residential address.

13. I will be eligible to vote by mail in future elections for numerous reasons and intend to do so whenever possible.
14. First, I am currently 63 years old. I intend to exclusively vote by mail once I turn 65 and qualify to do so under the 65 years of age or older eligibility requirement.
15. Second, and before then, I intend to vote by mail in any election during which I am absent from Hidalgo County.
16. Third, I recently suffered a traumatic brain injury in a car accident. This injury has required extensive and ongoing treatment and recovery therapy that requires me to travel back and forth between McAllen, where I reside, and Houston, where my doctors and therapists are located. I therefore intend to vote by mail during the November 2020 general election under the disability qualification, whether or not I am absent from Hidalgo County.

This Declaration is made pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746. I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Date: June 5, 2020

  
Rosalie Weisfeld

# Exhibit 31



Application for Ballot by Mail			
Prescribed by the Office of the Secretary of State of Texas AS 10-12117		For Official Use Only VJD # County Election Precinct # Statement of Residence, etc.	
1	Last Name (Please print information) <b>Weisfeld</b>	Suffix (Jr., Sr., III, etc) <b>-</b>	First Name <b>Rosalie</b>
2	Residence Address: See back of this application for instructions <b>4801 North 16th Street</b>		City <b>McAllen</b> State <b>TX</b> ZIP Code <b>78504</b>
3	Mail my ballot to: If mailing address differs from residence address, please complete Box #7. <b>9206 Cliftwood Drive</b>		City <b>Houston</b> State <b>TX</b> ZIP Code <b>77096</b>
4	Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) (Optional) <b>06/16/1956</b>		Contact Information (Optional) Please list phone number and/or email address. * Used in case our office has questions. <b>956.793-5814</b> <b>rosalie.weisfeld@gmail.com</b>
5	Reason for Voting by Mail: <input type="checkbox"/> 65 years of age or older. (Complete Box #8a) <input type="checkbox"/> Disability. (Complete Box #8a) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Expected absence from the county. (Complete Box #8b and Box #9) You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only. <input type="checkbox"/> Confinement in jail. (Complete Box #8b) You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election only.		7 If you are requesting this ballot be mailed to a different address (other than residence), indicate where the ballot will be mailed. See reverse for instructions. <input type="checkbox"/> Mailing Address as listed on my voter registration certificate <input type="checkbox"/> Nursing home, assisted living facility, or long term care facility <input type="checkbox"/> Hospital <input type="checkbox"/> Retirement Center <input type="checkbox"/> Address of the jail <input type="checkbox"/> Relative, relationship _____ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Address outside the county (see Box #8)
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10	"I certify that the information given in this application is true, and I understand that giving false information in this application is a crime."		<b>X</b> <b>Rosalie Weisfeld</b> Date <b>3/27/2019</b> SIGN HERE If applicant is unable to sign or make a mark in the presence of a witness, the witness shall complete Box #11.
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SEAL ENVELOPE AND SIGN OVER SEALED FLAP

(SELLE EL SOBRE Y FIRME ENCIMA DE SOLAPA DEL SOBRE)

X Rosalie Weistfeld  
SIGNATURE OR MARK OF VOTER (FIRMA O MARCA DEL VOTANTE)

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**Oath of Person Assisting Voter:** I swear (or affirm) that I will not suggest, by word, sign, or gesture, how the voter should vote; I will confine my assistance to answering the questions, to stating propositions on the ballot, and to naming candidates and, if listed, their political parties; I will prepare the voter's ballot as the voter directs, and I am not the employer, an agent of the voter's employer, or an officer or agent of a labor union to which the voter belongs. (Juramento de la Persona Asistiendo al Votante: Juro (o afirmo) que no sugeriré con palabras, señales, o gestos, la manera en la cual el votante debe votar; limitare mi asistencia a responder las preguntas del votante, leer propuestas en la boleta, a los candidatos, y si es mencionado, su partido político; prepararé la boleta del votante de acuerdo a sus instrucciones; y yo no soy el empleador del votante, un agente del empleador del votante, o un oficial o agente de un sindicato al cual el votante pertenece.)

**Instructions to Witness:** You are serving as a witness for \_\_\_\_\_ (name of voter). You must complete the section below if you are not the signature or mark of the voter, or if the voter cannot make a mark. If the voter cannot make a mark, check here \_\_\_\_\_. (Instrucciones al Testigo: Usted está fungiendo como testigo para el votante. Usted debe llenar la siguiente sección abajo si usted fue testigo de que el votante firmo, o de que el votante no puede firmar. Si el votante no puede firmar, marque sus iniciales aquí \_\_\_\_\_.)

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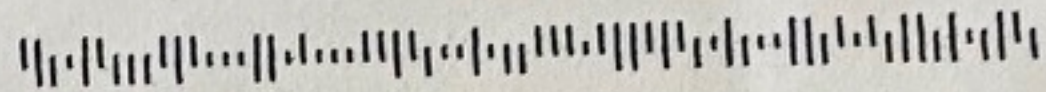


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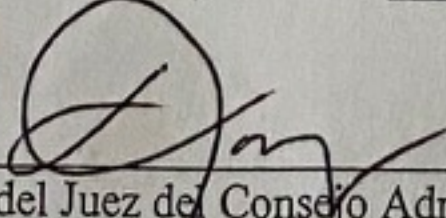
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- ☐ 9) No incluyó ninguna identificación con su boleta por correo.
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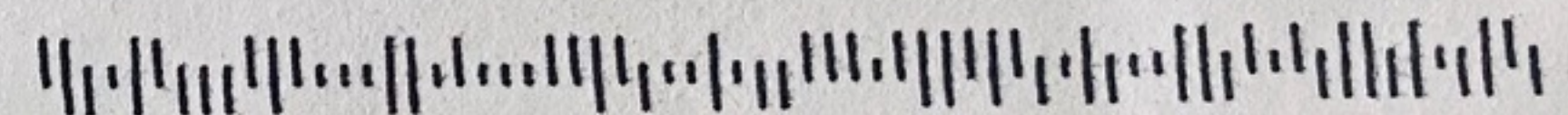
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FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
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ROSALIE WEISFELD, AUSTIN \*  
JUSTICE COALITION, \*  
COALITION OF TEXANS WITH \*  
DISABILITIES, MOVE TEXAS \*  
CIVIC FUND, LEAGUE OF \*  
WOMEN VOTERS OF TEXAS, \*  
and AMERICAN GI FORUM OF \*  
TEXAS, INC., \*

Plaintiffs, \*

VS. \*

CIVIL ACTION NUMBER  
5:19-cv-0963

TEXAS SECRETARY OF \*  
STATE, TRUDY HANCOCK, IN \*  
HER OFFICIAL CAPACITY AS \*  
BRAZOS COUNTY ELECTIONS \*  
ADMINISTRATOR, AND PERLA \*  
LARA IN HER OFFICIAL \*  
CAPACITY AS CITY OF \*  
McALLEN, TEXAS \*  
SECRETARY, \*

Defendants. \*

Remote Oral Deposition of  
Austin Justice Coalition,

By and through their Designated Representative,

LARISSA RODIONOV

May 20, 2020

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3   REPRESENTATIVE, LARISSA RODIONOV, produced at the  
4   instance of the Defendant, Texas Secretary of State,  
5   in the above-styled and numbered cause on the  
6   20th day of May, 2020, at 10:16 a.m., before Micheal  
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8   State of Texas, reported by realtime stenographic  
9   means, at the location of the witness, Austin,  
10   Texas, pursuant to Notice of Oral Deposition, and in  
11   accordance with the Federal Rules of Civil  
12   Procedure.

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LARISSA RODIONOV,

called as a witness, having been duly sworn by a  
Notary Public, was examined and testified as  
follows:

## EXAMINATION

BY MS. MACKIN:

Q. Good morning. May I please have you  
speak and spell your name for the record.

A. Larissa Rodionov, L-a-r-i-s-s-a  
R-o-d-i-o-n-o-v.

Q. And I'm sorry, will you pronounce your  
last name again since I'm going to be using it  
throughout this deposition and I don't want to mess  
it up?

A. Okay. Rodionov.

Q. Rodionov. Okay.

A. You're welcome to use my first name if  
that's better.

Q. I appreciate that. Thank you.

Good morning. My name is Anna Mackin. I  
am an attorney and I represent the Secretary of  
State in this lawsuit. I'm going to be asking you  
some questions today. Have you ever been deposed  
before?

1 A. Yes.

2 Q. Has AJC had any prior dealings with the  
3 Texas Secretary of State's office?

4 A. No.

5 Q. How about Perla Lara, the McAllen city  
6 secretary?

7 A. No.

8 Q. And how about Trudy Hancock, the Brazos  
9 County election administrator?

10 A. No.

11 Q. All right. Thank you for bearing with me  
12 on that. Now I'm going to turn back to AJC as an  
13 organization. Topic 1 in the notice is just your  
14 mission. So how would you describe AJC's mission?

15 A. I believe it's in the -- in a response  
16 document that we sent to you, but basically, AJC is  
17 a black-led organization that serves the black and  
18 brown populations of Austin, Texas, in helping them  
19 liberate themselves from the systemic racism in our  
20 society.

21 Q. And do you know if -- I think you  
22 testified that AJC was founded in 2016; is that  
23 right?

24 A. 2015.

25 Q. And do you know if its mission has

1 brown populations in Texas jails.

2 Q. Thank you. And then if we can  
3 fast-forward now down to AJC 26. So tell me about  
4 Project Orange?

5 A. One second. I lost the document somehow.  
6 Let me --

7 Q. Want me to send it to you? Oh, it's  
8 still there. Okay.

9 A. I should have it on my computer. It  
10 should be here. I'm not sure what I did. Okay.  
11 You said AJC 26?

12 Q. Yes.

13 A. Okay. Project Orange.

14 Q. Yes. So tell me about Project Orange.

15 A. What specifically would you like to know?

16 Q. Well, when did AJC first launch Project  
17 Orange?

18 A. So our first voter registration drive at  
19 the jail was in February 2018. There was obviously  
20 some planning that went into that, probably late  
21 2017.

22 Q. And how does Project Orange further AJC's  
23 mission?

24 A. So as I said earlier, the jail population  
25 is disproportionately black and brown and there is

1 no way for inmates in jail to vote -- to get  
2 registered to vote, first. That is our main mission  
3 with Project Orange, is to register these folks to  
4 vote. Because in Texas it is not easy to register  
5 to vote. You need to fill out a form with a VDR,  
6 who is trained and certified as a voter deputy  
7 register. Or you need to obtain a form that you can  
8 fill out and mail in. So these options are not  
9 available to folks in jail. So we go into the jails  
10 and register eligible inmates to vote.

11 And then we also -- during the -- every  
12 November election and during the presidential  
13 primary elections, we help inmates to get a mail-in  
14 ballot.

15 Q. So this first bullet point here mentions  
16 that Project Orange registered more than 550  
17 incarcerated citizens, up from over 300 in 2018. So  
18 do I read that right as, Project Orange registered  
19 over 300 incarcerated citizens in 2018 and it  
20 registered more than 550 incarcerated citizens in  
21 2019?

22 A. So this actual bullet point has not been  
23 updated. I did give Joao Paulo the updated  
24 information. This was published -- I think the 550  
25 was supposed to be in 2019 and the 320 '18 and we've

1 now hit over a thousand on -- total, from adding  
2 those together with what we did in 2020 so far.

3 Q. And so did Project Orange first start  
4 registering voters in 2018?

5 A. Yes.

6 Q. And then I just -- just so I break it  
7 out, the approximate numbers, over 320 '18 and then  
8 in addition to that more than 550 in 2019?

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. And then you mentioned over a thousand in  
11 2020, and I just want to make sure that I'm clear on  
12 whether you mean since 2018 or in 2020 alone?

13 A. Since 2018. We've done almost 200 in --  
14 well, we did almost 200 in the first couple months  
15 of 2020.

16 Q. And does that 500 include the 300 from  
17 2018?

18 A. No.

19 Q. Sorry, the 550?

20 A. No, it does not.

21 Q. Okay. But the over 1,000 from 2020 does  
22 include the 550?

23 A. Yes. That's total since Project Orange  
24 began.

25 Q. Thank you. And then the second bullet,



1 "Since October 2019 we've helped 159 inmates fill  
2 out ballot by mail applications."

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. Did Project Orange help inmates with  
5 ballot by mail applications -- well, let me ask that  
6 better.

7 When did Project Orange start helping  
8 inmates with ballot by mail applications?

9 A. The election in November 2018.

10 Q. So that would have been --

11 A. We would have been there in October of  
12 2018 to help them fill out their ballot by mail  
13 applications.

14 Q. Okay. And then the 159 inmates since  
15 October 2019 -- well, how many -- do you know how  
16 many inmates AJC helped with a ballot by mail before  
17 October 2019?

18 A. No. We did not keep a record of that,  
19 unfortunately. And I believe this number of 159  
20 does not include the primary election held in March  
21 this year.

22 Q. All right. And then who --

23 A. We did about another 60.

24 Q. The next bullet point talks about a  
25 potential expansion in 2020. Which counties are you

1 come out of line 78, 79 and then back up at 31. As  
2 far as I know, we have not had any direct expenses  
3 for Project Orange in the past year.

4 Q. Okay. So your answer would be the same  
5 if I asked you about the 2020 budget?

6 A. Right.

7 MR. KALAR: Objection to form.

8 A. We don't have any -- we have not had any  
9 expenses in 2020.

10 BY MS. MACKIN:

11 Q. Okay.

12 A. Aside from, again, the website and any  
13 other printed material that included information  
14 about Project Orange.

15 Q. All right. Thank you. We are done with  
16 that exhibit for now. I am sharing with you a  
17 document. It's also a spreadsheet marked AJC 16.  
18 And that will be Exhibit 6 to this deposition.

19 (Deposition Exhibit 6 marked for  
20 identification.)

21 BY MS. MACKIN:

22 Q. Please let me know when you're able to  
23 pull it up and ready to discuss it.

24 A. I'm ready.

25 Q. Do you recognize Exhibit 6?

1 A. Yes.

2 Q. What is it?

3 A. This is a spreadsheet documenting the  
4 volunteer hours, the volunteers and how many hours  
5 they spent on Project Orange.

6 Q. Who created this document?

7 A. Grace -- I'm struggling with her last  
8 name -- Thomas. She is the other co-coordinator of  
9 Project Orange.

10 Q. Okay. And so I want -- if we could walk  
11 through the columns and just let me know what each  
12 one means. Some of them seem pretty  
13 self-explanatory, but I'd just like to hear it from  
14 you to make sure there's no confusion.

15 A. Okay. So column A are the dates that we  
16 went to the jails to register people to vote, the  
17 activity VR is voter registration.

18 VE, in lines 23 and 24, are voter  
19 engagement, which is -- I do a -- like a voter  
20 education class at the jail for the inmates and Joao  
21 assists me in that.

22 Recruitment was -- there were a couple of  
23 events put on by the Travis County Voter Deputy  
24 Registrars, where we could recruit volunteers.  
25 Multiple organizations were represented and

1 volunteers were invited and VDRs were invited and we  
2 signed some people up there.

3 BBM is the ballot by mail application  
4 drive.

5 Q. Okay.

6 A. Column C, non-PO volunteers are -- so for  
7 the ballot by mail drive, we have our own Project  
8 Orange volunteers and Tiffany at the jail, she also  
9 reaches out to other jail volunteers, because it  
10 takes more people than we can do on our own. So  
11 those volunteers next to the Ys there are not  
12 Project Orange people regular volunteers.

13 Volunteer is whether or not they are  
14 volunteers, and they all are.

15 Reasons for -- okay. Reasons are not  
16 showing up, but that's self-explanatory.

17 On BDR hours is how many hours we spent  
18 doing -- the BDRs did voter registration.

19 Ballot by mail is how many hours were  
20 spent on ballot by mail efforts, application  
21 efforts.

22 Unique number, I believe is the number  
23 assigned to all of the people in the spreadsheet,  
24 where Grace is No. 1, I'm No. 2.

25 Q. I see.

1           A.       You can go down and see where we all are  
2 on the spreadsheet.

3           Q.       So like I could easily pull all the  
4 records with each volunteer's name by their unique  
5 number?

6           A.       I'm not sure how easy that is, but yes.

7           Q.       Fair enough.

8           A.       Because the people are listed in more  
9 than one instance. It's organized by date, some  
10 people come multiple times, obviously. So like  
11 Grace goes every single time and so you'll find her  
12 name repeated for every different date, except for  
13 the voter engagement talk.

14          Q.       And who reports the hours? Do the  
15 volunteers self-report, or does someone report it  
16 for them?

17          A.       Grace keeps track of them. We all enter  
18 the jail together and stay together as a group and  
19 we all leave at the same time. So she just keeps  
20 track of who was there on what date. And that is  
21 then reported to Tiffany Taylor at the jail.

22          Q.       And you mentioned doing a voter education  
23 class?

24          A.       Yes.

25          Q.       What do you discuss in your voter

1 education class?

2 A. We discuss different types of elections  
3 and we talk about why it is important to vote. We  
4 go through some election basics, like the voter ID  
5 law, you know, how to vote when you're in jail, how  
6 to vote when you're not in jail. We cover our  
7 ballot by mail efforts at the jail also. We'll  
8 cover the upcoming election. I usually schedule  
9 them before an upcoming election so that we can talk  
10 about who is on the ballot in that election.

11 Q. Okay. And this spreadsheet, Exhibit 6,  
12 was the only one that we received in discovery. Are  
13 there any other records of the volunteer hours that  
14 were dedicated to Project Orange?

15 A. This -- sorry? This document is one that  
16 Grace started after we took over the coordinating  
17 duties. The other documents I believe you received  
18 as e-mails. And mostly those were Hope e-mailing  
19 details to Tiffany at the jail, because we need to  
20 report who showed up every week to Tiffany.

21 Q. And I'm sorry, can you remind me who  
22 Tiffany is? The --

23 A. She worked in programs at the Travis  
24 County Correctional Complex.

25 Q. Okay. Got it.



1 A. She's our contact at the jail.

2 Q. And have all of these visits that you've  
3 made for Project Orange, have they all been to the  
4 Travis County Correctional Complex or have you gone  
5 to any other places?

6 A. All to the Travis County Correctional  
7 Complex.

8 Q. Do you track whether -- so you  
9 register -- you assist people in registering to  
10 vote. Do you track how many of them ultimately cast  
11 a ballot?

12 A. No, not directly.

13 Q. Do you track it indirectly?

14 A. So we are not -- as jail volunteers, we  
15 are not allowed to have any contact with inmates,  
16 aside from doing our voter registration and ballot  
17 by mail drive. So we are unable to follow up  
18 directly with the inmates to find out if they have  
19 voted.

20 When we do the ballot by mail, Tiffany  
21 tracks some information. I'm not sure how she  
22 gathers that information, but she -- when she  
23 reports back to us how many ballots by mail  
24 applications were filled out, she includes  
25 information on whether or not those people

1 registered to vote while in jail.

2 Q. Does Tiffany track any other information  
3 about the people who you help apply for a ballot by  
4 mail?

5 MR. KALAR: Objection to form.

6 A. I do not know for certain what all  
7 information she tracks. The information that she  
8 sends to us is how many people filled out the  
9 application, I believe she tells us how many people  
10 return their ballots and then how many people -- of  
11 those, how many people registered to vote from --  
12 while they were in jail.

13 BY MS. MACKIN:

14 Q. So do you learn anything about whether  
15 anyone that you assist with a ballot by mail has  
16 their ballot rejected?

17 MR. KALAR: Objection to form.

18 A. We are not -- as I said, we are not  
19 allowed contact with the inmates outside of the  
20 times that we come to help them with their  
21 applications and their voter registration, so we  
22 would have no way of knowing that.

23 BY MS. MACKIN:

24 Q. And other than Exhibit 6, there are no  
25 other records of the time spent on Project Orange;

1 is that right?

2 MR. KALAR: Objection to form.

3 A. Again, I don't know what information  
4 Tiffany tracks. This is what we track and the  
5 e-mails before we started, Hope would send those  
6 e-mails to Tiffany on -- in terms of the time spent,  
7 I'm not sure if Hope mentioned in those e-mails how  
8 much time was spent, but it is always approximately  
9 two hours. We're scheduled to go to the jail from  
10 12:30 to 2:30 on Saturdays. So if she didn't  
11 specifically count hours in those e-mails, it was  
12 generally about two hours.

13 BY MS. MACKIN:

14 Q. That is all I have on that document.  
15 Okay. I am sharing a document with you marked AJC 2  
16 through 3 and it will be Exhibit 7 to this  
17 deposition.

18 (Deposition Exhibit 7 marked for  
19 identification.)

20 BY MS. MACKIN:

21 Q. Please let me know when you are able to  
22 pull up that document and are ready to review it.

23 A. Yes, I'm ready.

24 Q. Do you recognize this document?

25 A. Yes.

1 Q. What is it?

2 A. This is a document that we received from  
3 Hope that she created. It is sort of a reminder to  
4 us on when we lead ballot by mail application drives  
5 at the jail and there's the announcement -- the unit  
6 announcement is what we say when we go into the  
7 individual pods, what we announce to the inmates.  
8 The volunteer group notes are -- so as I said, when  
9 we go to the jail, we meet in the lobby as one big  
10 group. And so we -- any information that we need to  
11 pass on to the volunteers is given at that time.  
12 And these are our notes for what to remind the  
13 volunteers of before we go in and start the ballot  
14 by mail drive.

15 Q. And do you know when this document was  
16 developed?

17 A. No. I believe it was before the first  
18 ballot by mail drive, but I am not certain.

19 Q. Is there a similar document that relates  
20 specifically to your voter registration drives?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. Are there any other -- so there's that  
23 voter registration document, which I don't think we  
24 have. There's the -- this document that we're  
25 looking at here, Exhibit 7. Are there any other

## REPORTER'S CERTIFICATION

I, Micheal A. Johnson, Registered Diplomate Reporter, Certified Realtime Reporter and Notary Public in and for the State of Texas, certify that on the 20th day of May, 2020, I reported the Remote Oral Deposition of LARISSA RODIONOV, after the witness had first been duly cautioned and sworn to testify under oath; said deposition was subsequently transcribed by me and under my supervision and contains a full, true and complete transcription of the proceedings had at said time and place; and that reading and signing was requested.

I further certify that I am neither counsel for nor related to any party in this cause and am not financially interested in its outcome.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL of office on this 29th day of May, 2020.

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# Exhibit 35



UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
SAN ANTONIO DIVISION

DR. GEORGE RICHARDSON, ROSALIE §  
WEISFELD, AUSTIN JUSTICE §  
COALITION, COALITION OF TEXANS §  
WITH DISABILITIES, MOVE TEXAS §  
CIVIC FUND, LEAGUE OF WOMEN §  
VOTERS OF TEXAS, and AMERICAN GI §  
FORUM OF TEXAS, INC., §

*Plaintiffs* §

v. §

Civil Case No. 5:19-cv-00963-OG

TEXAS SECRETARY OF STATE, TRUDY §  
HANCOCK, in her official capacity as §  
BRAZOS COUNTY ELECTIONS §  
ADMINISTRATOR, and PERLA LARA in §  
her official capacity as CITY OF §  
MCALLEN, TEXAS SECRETARY, §

*Defendants.* §

**DECLARATION OF LARISSA RODIONOV**

My name is Larissa Rodionov. I am over the age of 18 and capable of making this declaration.

The facts stated herein are within my personal knowledge.

1. I am a learning and education specialist at the University of Texas at Austin School of Nursing.
2. I am a volunteer for the Austin Justice Coalition (“AJC”), and serve as the Co-Coordinator for AJC’s Project Orange (“Project Orange”).
3. As detailed in its vision and mission statements, AJC is a non-partisan, non-profit community organization dedicated to serving “people who are historically and systematically impacted by gentrification, segregation, over policing, a lack of educational and employment opportunities, and other institutional forms of racism

in Austin.” Its aim is to “improve the quality of life for people of color by helping them be the driving force behind their own liberation.”

4. Project Orange is a partnership between AJC and Travis County officials through which AJC volunteers enter the Travis County Jail to provide voter education classes and assist eligible inmate voters in registering to vote and applying for ballots by mail. AJC also works with Travis County Jail officials to ensure that mail-in ballots are thereafter properly received and submitted.
5. Project Orange was launched with a voter registration drive at the Travis County Jail in February 2018.
6. In 2019 and 2020, Project Orange volunteers devoted approximately 350 volunteer hours to assisting inmates with voter registration and mail-in ballot applications and providing related voter education classes.
7. Since February 2018, Project Orange has registered over 1,000 voters.
8. Since October 2019, Project Orange has assisted 159 inmates in filling out ballot by mail applications.
9. Jail volunteers are limited in the amount of time they can spend with inmates, but, when assisting with ballot by mail applications, Project Orange volunteers sit down with inmates and walk them through the required forms section by section. Volunteers are instructed to direct inmates to carefully and neatly sign the application material.
10. During the ongoing COVID-19 emergency, Project Orange volunteers have been unable to enter the Travis County Jail. However, Project Orange’s voter education, voter registration, and ballot by mail application efforts continue through recorded

programs that are offered to inmates. These recordings also emphasize the need for inmates to sign ballot by mail material carefully and neatly. Once they are able to, Project Orange volunteers plan to return to the Travis County Jail to assist inmates in person.

11. The risk of improper rejection of an inmate's mail in ballot due to a perceived signature mismatch significantly frustrates AJC's efforts to empower the individuals it serves by undermining the very means of empowerment—voting—championed by Project Orange. The improper disenfranchisement of the voters assisted by Project Orange is precisely the type of systemic injustice AJC works to eradicate.

12. This frustration is exacerbated by the fact that Project Orange volunteers, like all jail volunteers, are not allowed any contact with inmates outside of its voter registration and ballot by mail drives. Project Orange has no ability to obtain redress for or otherwise assist any inmate whose vote is improperly rejected for a perceived signature mismatch.

13. Attached hereto are true and correct copies of documents produced to Defendants in the course of discovery, as follows:

- a. Instructions For Project Orange Volunteers – Bates AJC-00000002-AJC-00000003

This Declaration is made pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1745. I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on June 21, 2020.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Larissa Rodionov", is written over a horizontal line.

Larissa Rodionov

# Exhibit 36

County Elections Division Instructions and Addresses for Ballot by Mail Applications

**Unit announcement (Speak VERY LOUD):**

“If you are a registered voter, we are here today to help you with your ballot by mail application so that you can vote in this year’s election.”

(Then tell the Unit CO that they can let folks out X numbers at a time, depending on how many volunteers are in a pod.)

**Volunteer group notes:**

When speaking to folks, be sure to confirm that they have NOT been convicted of a felony since registering to vote.

Also, confirm that they have registered either at the jail or prior to incarceration.

Be sure to ask which county they are registered in, Travis County and Williamson County forms are pre-addressed. Use a blank form for other counties and use the mailing address for the county’s Elections office.

**Be sure to have everyone write their last name AND inmate number on the Last Name line of the form as well as on the return address. Make sure you tell them to print and sign legibly. If we can’t read it, neither can the county!**

See County Address sheet for further instructions.



County Elections Division Instructions and Addresses for Ballot by Mail Applications

Bastrop County Elections  
804 Pecan St  
Bastrop, TX 78602

Bell County Elections  
PO Box 1629  
Belton, TX 76513

Bexar County Elections  
1103 S. Frio, Ste. 100  
San Antonio, TX 78207

Burnet County Early Voting Clerk  
220 S. Pierce St  
Burnet, TX 78611

Caldwell County  
Pamela Ohlendorf,  
Elections Administrator  
1403-C Blackjack St  
Lockhardt, TX 78644

Guadalupe County  
Early Voting Clerk  
PO Box 1346  
Seguin, TX 78155

Harris County Elections:  
Harris County Clerk  
Attn: Elections Division  
PO Box 1148  
Houston, TX 77251-1148

Hays County Elections  
Elections Administrator  
712 South Stagecoach Trail  
Suite 1012  
San Marcos, TX 78666-5999

Mason County Elections  
201 F. McKavitt  
Mason, TX 76856  
Montgomery County  
Elections Administrator  
PO Box 2646  
Conroe, TX 77305-2646

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Nueces County Clerk  
ATTN: Elections Division  
PO Box 2627  
Corpus Christi, TX 78403

Tarrant County Elections  
PO Box 961011  
Fort Worth, TX 76161-0011

Williamson County Elections  
PO Box 209  
Georgetown, TX 78627

**Travis County Jail Address:**  
**3614 Bill Price Rd**  
**Del Valle, TX 78617**

**Application Instructions**

Section 1 - Full legal name including inmate number

Section 2 - Residence Address is voter registration address

Section 3 - Jail address

Section 5 - Confinement in jail

Section 6b - Check XXX Election AND Any Resulting Runoff

Section 7 - Check Address of the jail (or other as applicable)

Section 10 - MUST provide signature and date

Project Orange

APPX-000621

AJC-00000003

# Exhibit 37

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
SAN ANTONIO DIVISION

DR. GEORGE RICHARDSON, \*  
ROSALIE WEISFELD, AUSTIN \*  
JUSTICE COALITION, \*  
COALITION OF TEXANS WITH \*  
DISABILITIES, MOVE TEXAS \*  
CIVIC FUND, LEAGUE OF \*  
WOMEN VOTERS OF TEXAS, \*  
and AMERICAN GI FORUM OF \*  
TEXAS, INC., \*

Plaintiffs, \*

VS. \*

CIVIL ACTION NUMBER  
5:19-cv-0963

TEXAS SECRETARY OF \*  
STATE, TRUDY HANCOCK, IN \*  
HER OFFICIAL CAPACITY AS \*  
BRAZOS COUNTY ELECTIONS \*  
ADMINISTRATOR, AND PERLA \*  
LARA IN HER OFFICIAL \*  
CAPACITY AS CITY OF \*  
MCALLEN, TEXAS \*  
SECRETARY, \*

Defendants. \*

Remote Oral Deposition of

Coalition of Texans with Disabilities,

By and through their Designated Representative,

CHASE BEARDEN

May 19, 2020

10:05 a.m.

Reported by:

Micheal A. Johnson, RDR, CRR

1           REMOTE ORAL DEPOSITION OF COALITION OF  
2   TEXANS WITH DISABILITIES, BY AND THROUGH THEIR  
3   DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE, CHASE BEARDEN, produced  
4   at the instance of the Defendant, Texas Secretary of  
5   State, in the above-styled and numbered cause on the  
6   19th day of May, 2020, at 10:05 a.m., before Micheal  
7   A. Johnson, RDR, CRR, Notary Public in and for the  
8   State of Texas, reported by realtime stenographic  
9   means, at the location of the witness, Austin,  
10   Texas, pursuant to Notice of Oral Deposition, and in  
11   accordance with the Federal Rules of Civil  
12   Procedure.

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May 19, 2020

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## PROCEEDINGS

CHASE BEARDEN,

called as a witness, having been duly sworn by a  
Notary Public, was examined and testified as  
follows:

## EXAMINATION

BY MS. MACKIN:

Q. Good morning. Will you please speak and  
spell your name for the record.

A. Chase Bearden, C-h-a-s-e, last name  
Bearden, B-e-a-r-d-e-n.

Q. Okay. Thank you, Mr. Bearden. My name  
is Anna Mackin. I am an attorney with the Texas  
Attorney General's office and I represent the  
defendant, the Texas Secretary of State in this  
lawsuit. I'm going to be asking you some questions  
today.

Have you ever been deposed before?

A. No.

Q. Okay. Well, I'm going to go over some  
ground rules that will kind of, hopefully, help  
things go as smoothly and as efficiently as  
possible, as this is obviously somewhat of a unique  
situation, even beyond being in a deposition,  
because we are situated remotely and we usually do

1           A.       I was clarifying with him on our budget,  
2 where the funds -- how we attach our advocacy to the  
3 funding.

4           Q.       Anything else?

5           A.       With Dennis, no.

6           Q.       Okay. And then you mentioned that you  
7 spoke with three of your members?

8           A.       Yes.

9           Q.       What are their names?

10          A.       Juan Munoz, Gloria Angel, and Rene Lopez.

11          Q.       And Rene, is that person male or female?

12          A.       Female.

13          Q.       All right. And what did you speak with  
14 Mr. Munoz about?

15          A.       Originally, he and Gloria contacted me  
16 about a week ago on mail-in ballots, wanting to fill  
17 them out and asking for assistance on how they  
18 should do it. While we were talking about it, I  
19 brought up what we were doing here because this  
20 affects them specifically. Both of them have  
21 significant cerebral palsy. Neither one of them can  
22 write. They use a stamp most of the time or the  
23 computer and they were concerned that their ability  
24 to sign it and have it done privately would be kind  
25 of at risk. So they have gotten some assistance to

1 fill it out. But at the same time, they were  
2 wanting to make sure that in the future they were  
3 able to vote.

4 Q. Okay. And I just want to clarify that  
5 that was Mr. Munoz, and I believe you said it was  
6 also one of the other individuals you spoke with?

7 A. Gloria Angel, yes.

8 Q. Okay.

9 A. She also goes by Susie.

10 Q. Okay. And was there anything else that  
11 you discussed with Mr. Munoz and Ms. Angel?

12 A. No.

13 Q. Okay. And then you also mentioned  
14 speaking with Rene Lopez?

15 A. Yes. And it was about --

16 Q. What did you --

17 A. Oh, sorry.

18 Q. No, I'm sorry. It's a total tendency in  
19 normal human conversation, so it happens all the  
20 time.

21 A. We spoke about that I was going to be in  
22 the deposition and I was wondering where she stood  
23 on the mail-in ballot and if she was going to -- she  
24 also has a significant disability like myself and I  
25 wanted to make sure where she was at and if she was

1 going to be using a mail-in ballot, trying to  
2 understand and make sure that all of our members,  
3 the way they're looking right now, many of them are  
4 confused about how COVID's going to affect many of  
5 them, so we're seeing a greater number of people who  
6 are talking about using mail-in ballots and these  
7 are the people that a lot of them tend to have  
8 signature issues.

9           So when I was talking to her, I asked her  
10 if she was going to participate by going to the  
11 polls or was she going to end up doing a mail-in  
12 ballot, and she said she was actually thinking about  
13 leaning towards mail-in ballot just because of all  
14 her underlying health conditions, that she was more  
15 comfortable that way.

16           Q.     Okay. Thank you for that information.  
17 And I'm probably going to circle back to talk about  
18 those folks a little bit more in depth a little bit  
19 later on. But for now, is there anybody else that  
20 you spoke with to prepare for the deposition that we  
21 haven't already talked about?

22           A.     No.

23           Q.     Okay. And you also mentioned that you  
24 reviewed the Coalition of Texans With Disabilities's  
25 discovery responses in this case, I think?



1 for St. David's Medical Center rehab in their  
2 adaptive sports programs, helping adults and kids to  
3 get back out and do physical activities, like rugby  
4 and camping and all of those fun things and then get  
5 them back to work in that sense.

6 Q. How did you get involved in that work?

7 A. Let's see. '94, I was a gymnast. I  
8 broke my neck in a morning workout and went from  
9 being an elite athlete to being paralyzed from the  
10 neck down. Did my time -- my rehab work at  
11 St. David's. Started participating in their  
12 programs and at that point was starting to go to  
13 college and found myself finally working for them.  
14 So that's kind of how I fell into that there.

15 At the time, years later, St. David's  
16 became -- went from for profit -- or nonprofit to  
17 for-profit and our program was squeezed down and  
18 that's when I started looking for work and I ended  
19 up over at CTD. It was similar. I mean, most of  
20 the problems I heard from the kids and their parents  
21 while we were doing things, I was able to then start  
22 working on when I moved over to CTD.

23 Q. Yeah. Yeah. Well, thank you for sharing  
24 that personal story with me.

25 You mentioned college. Where did you

1 secretary?

2 A. No.

3 Q. What about Trudy Hancock or the Brazos  
4 County election administrator?

5 A. No.

6 Q. Okay. All right. Moving right along to  
7 deposition notice. I'm going to start with the  
8 first topic.

9 What is CTD's mission?

10 A. So CTD was started about 1978 by a group  
11 of people with disabilities trying to advocate for  
12 themselves. It was kind of that moment in time when  
13 disability rights were starting. And our mission  
14 has pretty much stayed the same since the beginning  
15 and that was to advocate for people's rights to  
16 access. And that could be from school, to  
17 employment, to work, to living in the community, to  
18 ensuring that you have the same basic rights. And  
19 voting has been one of those key on that because it  
20 is the basic one thing you can do to help adjust  
21 your future. But a big part of it has been access.  
22 It always centers around access. Access to  
23 transportation, access to health care, access to  
24 employment. Pretty much that is the mission, is to  
25 ensure people have access in the community of their

1 choice.

2 Q. And has that mission changed over time?

3 A. I think it has changed some, but that's  
4 just because as we found we moved forward in certain  
5 areas, we found areas where there were setbacks and  
6 we kind of had to fall back and work on those areas.  
7 There's always new things that are changing. Where  
8 we finally had some of the architectural barrier  
9 sides of our world fixed, when scooters came along  
10 and started parking on the curb cuts in the  
11 accessible parking spaces, there was no way to stop  
12 it and no way to enforce it. So that became a new  
13 barrier that we had to adjust to and figure out. So  
14 it's always changing in a sense, but it still always  
15 comes back to maintaining access in the community of  
16 your choice.

17 Q. Always about access, even if some of the  
18 barriers maybe shift --

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. -- as time goes on?

21 A. Right.

22 Q. That makes sense. What is Disability  
23 Rights Texas?

24 A. They're a federally funded legal resource  
25 for -- in every state.

1 if they can access it.

2 Q. And so did we kind of touch on all the  
3 arts and awareness activities?

4 A. I think so. Yes.

5 Q. Let's hop on over to Community  
6 Organizing. It looks like there are conferences in  
7 that first little bubble. Tell me a little bit  
8 about that.

9 A. So we host -- we have, since the  
10 beginning, hosted conferences almost every year.  
11 There used to be annual, very large conferences.  
12 During a legislative session, we always host them in  
13 Austin, that way people can come and meet and speak  
14 to their representatives here.

15 In the years that we're in that interim  
16 year, typically we will choose what's outside of the  
17 Austin area, to make sure we can get to our  
18 membership and that might be one year in El Paso and  
19 another year in Houston, one in Dallas. We've done  
20 them in McAllen. We've done them, you know, all  
21 over the state at different times.

22 We have scaled that down to doing smaller  
23 ones, trying to target more areas but with less of a  
24 production. Mainly, trying to host very large  
25 conferences took up a lot of our time and bandwidth.

1 So hosting smaller ones that are more intimate that  
2 are going over the similar material each time kind  
3 of makes it easier for us to actually hit more  
4 people.

5 We're also spending more time trying to  
6 train people to be good advocates for themselves and  
7 to know what to expect when talking to legislators  
8 or state agencies and how to stay to the point and  
9 move forward.

10 But we are changing up the way we are  
11 doing our conferences this year. We're actually  
12 going to do five of them. We have always called it  
13 Raise Your Voice, and we are going to do them mainly  
14 virtually, unless things get better. We'll hit our  
15 top policy issues and we'll host them in short Zoom  
16 meeting-style formats regionally and then probably  
17 have a more in-depth version a week later.

18 We had planned on traveling for these  
19 this year because there were so many big issues that  
20 we really wanted to sit down and talk to people  
21 about regionally, but for now, we're going take it  
22 virtual and see how that goes.

23 Q. Yeah. Well, I never thought I would ever  
24 be okay with like taking a deposition remotely, and  
25 we've had to and it's been fine.

1           A.       Yeah. One last thing on conferences,  
2 just to make sure I get it all in there. We also  
3 get invited and asked to speak at a lot of different  
4 conferences. So they could be disability  
5 conferences, pharmaceutical conferences, insurance  
6 conferences. We kind of run the gamut on that,  
7 mainly because any chance we can speak about access,  
8 we try to.

9           Q.       One quick follow-up that I realize I  
10 hadn't asked. About how many members does CTD have?

11          A.       So currently we have, as we tried to  
12 migrate all our stuff over, 2200 active members  
13 across the state. There are many more. We just  
14 don't have -- we don't always include their e-mails.  
15 As we shifted things, they've kind of dropped off.  
16 But we also have member organizations somewhere over  
17 the number of 50, I think, and basically those are  
18 other types of disability organizations, some are  
19 pharmaceutical companies that have the same beliefs,  
20 insurance companies. And basically, we share our  
21 information where we send something out and then  
22 they send it out to their members and it kind of  
23 gives us a wider population number.

24                   But as we've kind of gone digital, to try  
25 and get our membership, we've started moving more



1 towards, actually, I guess, grabbing more  
2 demographics and try and figure that out.

3 Q. You mentioned in your answer, you talked  
4 a couple times about migrating and shifting over. I  
5 just want to be clear what that -- what's that a  
6 reference to?

7 A. Just an old database system that's been  
8 updated and moved to a new platform.

9 Q. All right. So let's talk about this  
10 Voter Training bubble under Community Organizing.  
11 Tell me about the voter training activities that CTD  
12 engages in.

13 A. So over the years, we've done voter  
14 trainings at different conferences, and it can be  
15 from talking about all the options, especially  
16 around accessibility. A lot of it stemmed after  
17 HAVA, when we saw for the first time an accessible  
18 voting machine. So many people had already had bad  
19 experiences, especially those who are visually  
20 impaired, that after a bad experience or an  
21 embarrassing experience at the polling center, be it  
22 from a polling official or someone -- or just not  
23 being able to do it, never went back to voting and  
24 we started losing people voting just because they  
25 couldn't do it independently.

1           When HAVA passed, we started spending a  
2 lot of time doing training, trying to teach people  
3 how to use the accessibility. It's been hard  
4 because there is a small section in the training for  
5 poll workers, but the majority of them still don't  
6 understand all the functions or the availability of  
7 it. They're also under a lot of pressure that day  
8 trying to get through numbers. So we spend a lot of  
9 time trying to make sure people understand how to  
10 cast their ballot ahead of time. And it's really  
11 important for those who are visually impaired to  
12 know ahead of time.

13           We also work a lot with just different  
14 groups on trying to educate newer voters, those who  
15 have never voted. And making sure those who want to  
16 vote at home, who can't make it to the polls.  
17 Because when you look at the disability community,  
18 you have some that are die-hard that they believe  
19 it's their civic duty, that they will -- they'll be  
20 at a polling site no matter what. But that also  
21 comes down to, do they have transportation to get  
22 there? Are there any other underlying health issues  
23 during that period? And then there are many who  
24 they just can't make it. They don't have  
25 transportation. They don't have a family member

1 that can get them there and get off work. So they  
2 use mail-in ballots.

3 So we've spent time trying to help  
4 educate people more on mail-in ballots and just  
5 figuring out when do I send it in, when do I get it,  
6 what do I do with it. And a lot of times that comes  
7 down to just people calling and asking questions.

8 But at every event that we have an  
9 opportunity to talk about voting, we talk about  
10 them. Any chance -- here's all the different  
11 options that are available to you right now.

12 We traveled with the Secretary of State's  
13 office when they were doing HAVA for a couple years  
14 each election cycle, doing voter trainings and  
15 sitting at fairs and talking to people. We're  
16 working on putting the other big program within that  
17 Raise Your Voice that will walk people through all  
18 the steps of either mail-in ballot or using new  
19 machines coming out and how that works. How to  
20 understand how to use curbside voting, all of those  
21 issues.

22 Q. When -- do you know when -- you mentioned  
23 new machines coming out. Do you know when that is  
24 slated to happen?

25 A. Well, in a sense it already has, with the

1 new ballots that print out. Even that portion has  
2 made it more difficult. But I believe here in the  
3 next year or so, there's opportunity of new  
4 machines. Also as counties buy new machines, they  
5 may go with a different vendor. So someone who  
6 understands how to use one machine may show up and  
7 not be able to use a new machine. Because there are  
8 differences and I think for someone with a  
9 significant disability, a small change can sometimes  
10 make it inaccessible. And if they don't know ahead  
11 of time, they don't have time to prepare on how to  
12 adjust to that.

13 Q. I have a question about something I saw  
14 in some of the documents that you -- I'm sorry I'm  
15 jumping all over the place a little bit. But some  
16 of the documents you produced talked about other  
17 states and referred to, like a system that could be  
18 done remotely that would allow for someone with a  
19 disability to cast a ballot independently. What --  
20 can you tell me what those other states are doing?

21 A. So currently, like our mail-in ballots  
22 right now, if you have a visual impairment and it  
23 gets mailed to you, you have to have assistance. So  
24 really that group is the one group who the only way  
25 for them to cast a private ballot is to go to a

1 polling site, if they can get there, so that they  
2 can use one of the electronic machines, plug in  
3 their headphones and have it read it to them, part  
4 of the new software on their computers that reads  
5 what's on the screen to them. That's how they work  
6 on a daily basis.

7           Currently in other states, they are able  
8 to send in an electronic copy of the ballot, where  
9 you can basically use the accessible tools that you  
10 already have to fill it out and then hit print and  
11 then mail it in. That gives them the option of a  
12 private ballot. Because no matter what, even if you  
13 have a witness and you're visually impaired, you  
14 don't always have -- you have to know that what they  
15 filled out is what they filled out or what you  
16 wanted filled out.

17           So we've always pushed that the  
18 securest -- most secure ballot a person can have is  
19 one where they're able to handle it themselves. You  
20 take other people out of the equation and you'll do  
21 a better job and it will give them their privacy.  
22 So yeah, there are options we can do to give people  
23 more accessible ballots.

24           The other part of it, someone like Susie,  
25 that I talked about earlier, with her CP, she uses

1 doing consulting for different organizations and  
2 groups.

3 Q. I see. Okay.

4 A. Yeah.

5 Q. And then I see Interest and Other Income.

6 What -- besides interest, do you know if there is  
7 another income source?

8 A. I believe -- sorry.

9 Q. No, please.

10 A. I believe we have -- we've had stock  
11 donations in the back in the past. I think other  
12 sources. Not sure of any others versus that.

13 Q. That's fine. And looking down here on  
14 the Expenses, rather than kind of make you talk  
15 through each of them, because I think these are  
16 pretty self-explanatory, I'm wondering if you can  
17 identify from this document how much money CTD spent  
18 on its voting-related work.

19 A. I actually can't break that down. We  
20 basically roll everything in. When you look at the  
21 way we do our work, we're covering so many areas.  
22 We don't narrow it down to each individual issue  
23 area or else we would have 40 or 50 different small  
24 accounts. If it falls under advocacy and that's the  
25 work we're doing, that's where we place it. More of



1 a general fund for that.

2 Q. Would your answer be the same with  
3 respect to the other budgets from other years?

4 A. Yes.

5 Q. Okay. I'm showing you a document that I  
6 will make Exhibit 5 to this deposition.

7 (Deposition Exhibit 5 marked for  
8 identification.)

9 BY MS. MACKIN:

10 Q. Please take the time you need to pull up  
11 that document and review it and then let me know  
12 when you're ready to discuss it.

13 (Witness reviews document.)

14 A. Okay.

15 BY MS. MACKIN:

16 Q. All right. This document is marked  
17 CTD 26 through 27. Do you recognize this document?

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. And what is it?

20 A. This is one of our newsletters.

21 Q. Okay. How was this document distributed?

22 A. Electronically.

23 Q. Okay. And who is it sent to?

24 A. It goes out to our members and our member  
25 organizations.

1                   You can answer, Chase. I think you  
2 already did, but you can answer.

3           A.       Yes.

4 BY MS. MACKIN:

5           Q.       Okay. I want to talk a little bit  
6 more -- that's all the questions that I have on this  
7 exhibit.

8                   I want to talk a little bit more about --  
9 we touched on this earlier, but I'm looking at  
10 paragraph 82 of the complaint. It says that CTD  
11 wants the defendants to, you know, provide a way for  
12 voters, who are disabled and cannot vote in person  
13 and due to their disability cannot sign matching  
14 signatures, an opportunity to vote that is equal and  
15 equally effective as that opportunity provided to  
16 others.

17                   And so what would that -- what would that  
18 look like?

19                   MR. MIRZA: Objection, form.

20           A.       At the end of the day --

21                   MR. MIRZA: Objection, form.

22                   You can answer, Chase.

23           A.       At the end of the day, I think the State  
24 of Texas and the counties, all giving the people the  
25 right to cure a ballot, if the current program stays

1 in place and your ballot is thrown out because  
2 you're unable to sign exactly the same each time by  
3 people who are chosen to look at signatures and you  
4 don't get a letter until ten days later, you don't  
5 get the right to have your vote counted. So finding  
6 a way that's reasonable, that gives everyone that  
7 opportunity to come in and fix their ballot or to  
8 say yes, that was me who signed that, I think it's  
9 not only the right thing to do, it's the  
10 constitutional thing to do. We shouldn't be  
11 throwing out ballots that should be counted and we  
12 should make an effort to consider those as being  
13 true ballots and votes. We've always said  
14 everyone's vote matters. When it's set aside  
15 because someone has looked at it because of a  
16 signature and in their opinion it doesn't fit and we  
17 don't do anything about actually trying to confirm  
18 that, it's independently being confirmed by other  
19 people, but no one is actually reaching out to that  
20 person, then that person's vote isn't being counted.  
21 So finding a way to reasonably allow a person to be  
22 notified and give them the chance to either cure it  
23 or to stop using -- throwing out ballots in that  
24 way.

25 BY MS. MACKIN:

1 Q. Do you know if any CTD member has had a  
2 mail-in ballot rejected because of a signature  
3 mismatch?

4 A. I do not.

5 Q. Do you know if CTD has ever assisted any  
6 voter after their ballot was rejected for a  
7 signature mismatch?

8 MR. MIRZA: Objection to form.

9 You can answer, Chase.

10 A. No.

11 BY MS. MACKIN:

12 Q. I want to talk a little bit about the  
13 witness process. We've discussed it a little bit,  
14 but I want to understand more how it impacts CTD and  
15 CTD's mission. You know, is it your understanding  
16 that if a voter is unable to mark their ballot or  
17 sign their name, and I'm talking about a mail-in  
18 ballot, that they can have a witness mark the ballot  
19 and sign it for them?

20 MR. MIRZA: Objection, form.

21 You can answer, Chase.

22 A. Yes. And if a witness signs it, at the  
23 same time that takes away the person's ability to  
24 have that private ballot. Also people will have a  
25 hard time finding witnesses who are willing to sign

1 that. Also if you have more than one person living  
2 in a home and you find one witness, or in a nursing  
3 facility, that person's only witness might be  
4 someone who works there along with others. That  
5 person can only legally sign it for one person. So  
6 that creates an even harder burden on someone to  
7 find a witness. It also allows a person to look at  
8 how you're voting. A person's signature should  
9 count no matter what, no matter what the mark is if  
10 that's how they sign.

11           You're never -- when I was first injured  
12 and I had no use of my arms and I could barely  
13 wiggle a pen, changing a pen was enough. Changing  
14 the paper -- or the angle was enough to change my  
15 signature. At the last election that I went in and  
16 I had to fill out my -- sign my name on the new  
17 electronic poll book, they could -- had all the  
18 wires tangled up so they couldn't get it close  
19 enough for me to sign and they said just make a  
20 mark. Well, that goes into the system, that then  
21 gets counted the next time I sign my ballot and mail  
22 it in, that could be one of the signatures used to  
23 compare and that was told to me by a poll worker,  
24 that didn't matter.

25           So I made them move it all so I could

1 actually get to it and sign it as closely as I  
2 could. I think we have to make sure that people's  
3 signatures count no matter how they do it and give  
4 them the best reasonable way of doing it without  
5 having to use a witness if they don't need it. They  
6 may need assistance. That's the option that needs  
7 to be there. But it shouldn't be the go-to method  
8 on a way to make it easier on the state to have to  
9 deal with it. If a person wants -- if their  
10 signature doesn't look the same every time, that's  
11 their signature.

12 BY MS. MACKIN:

13 Q. You would agree with me, though, that if  
14 an individual who is disabled gets transportation to  
15 the polls, that they are able to vote using an  
16 accessible machine that allows them to cast a  
17 private ballot?

18 MR. MIRZA: Objection, form.

19 You can answer, Chase.

20 A. I would say most of the time. Not  
21 always.

22 BY MS. MACKIN:

23 Q. Okay. Under what circumstances would  
24 somebody not be able to do that?

25 A. If they get there and the poll workers



1 don't know how to set up the accessibility, the  
2 parts are missing for it; it can be as simple as the  
3 new machines were placed too high. At the last  
4 election, it was accessible if it was down lower,  
5 but they put them on all new tables. So there's  
6 still things that can create inaccessibility. A lot  
7 of times that can be corrected and fixed with  
8 training. But a majority of people who can make it  
9 to the polls, yes, they can vote independently or  
10 with the least amount of assistance as possible.

11 But let me add one thing. That requires  
12 the system doing what it was supposed to at the  
13 beginning to make it accessible. So I think when  
14 you have those times when it doesn't work, it's  
15 because there was a breakdown in the system at the  
16 polling site.

17 Q. Do you know if CTD intends to -- strike  
18 that actually.

19 MS. MACKIN: I actually do not think  
20 that I have any more questions for you. I may  
21 follow up in a little bit after the other attorneys  
22 have had a turn, but that is all I have for now and  
23 I appreciate your time very much. And I will pass  
24 the witness.

25 THE WITNESS: Thank you, Anna.

1 just explore one more quick thing.

2 MR. MIRZA: Okay.

3 FURTHER EXAMINATION

4 BY MS. MACKIN:

5 Q. I just want to talk a little bit more  
6 about how the Coalition of Texans With Disabilities  
7 trains voters on voting by mail. How does the  
8 Coalition of Texans With Disabilities train voters  
9 on voting by mail, specifically?

10 A. So if it -- we're at a conference and  
11 we're talking about trainings or we're talking about  
12 voting and we walk people through, you know, all the  
13 different options out there, it's usually just  
14 speaking to the people back and forth. Also by just  
15 trying to put out reminders and documents. I know  
16 now we do, but within our e-mails going out and  
17 our -- like any kind of Facebook message about  
18 mail-in ballots if you're going to do it and to make  
19 sure to try your best to make sure your signature  
20 matches as close as possible. That way people  
21 realize that's an issue. Because for many of them,  
22 it's someone holding a piece of paper for them. I  
23 use both hands to sign things, so I actually put my  
24 iPhone on top of papers to hold it so I can write,  
25 so many times my writing looks different.

1 But I -- you know, I try and make sure  
2 every time I sign something, I sign it the correct  
3 way, no matter what, or as close as possible. But  
4 for us in trainings, you know, it's just trying to  
5 get in front of people and talking to them. The  
6 virtual Raise Your Voice programs that we're  
7 planning for -- starting in July, around the ADA  
8 30th anniversary, we'll have a voting segment in  
9 there and we will actually talk about it, discuss  
10 all the options of mail-in ballots, why their  
11 signature really needs to have focus. But also all  
12 the ins and outs of what parts of the form to fill  
13 out, when do they got to be there. It's complex.  
14 Especially someone being in a hospital like I had at  
15 the last election. I broke my leg and ended up in  
16 the hospital for a month, thought I was going to be  
17 voting ahead of time at a polling site and I tried  
18 to do the mail-in ballots and ran into all kinds of  
19 issues of trying to get it to them. So it's not as  
20 easy.

21 Q. So does -- and I think I know the answer  
22 based on what you just said, but does the Coalition  
23 of Texans With Disabilities intend to continue  
24 training voters on voting by mail?

25 A. Yes. Yes.

1 Q. And then one last thing. The complaint  
2 says that there are members on whose behalf the CTD  
3 is suing. How many members are you suing on behalf  
4 of?

5 MR. MIRZA: Objection, form.

6 You can answer, Chase.

7 A. So I would say any and every one of our  
8 members that this would affect. And I think  
9 something that gets forgotten is not just our  
10 membership, we always represent all Texans with  
11 disabilities, their family members. It's -- our  
12 sole purpose is to make sure they continue to have  
13 access even if they don't know that issue is there.  
14 So it's all Texans with disabilities is who we  
15 really want to ensure have that access, along with  
16 everyone else.

17 But at the end of the day, also to follow  
18 up on -- sorry, that last question you said, we will  
19 continue to do mail-in ballot training just to  
20 remind people that that option's out there, because  
21 not everyone uses it each time. But at the same  
22 time, if we do find a way to cure this and the  
23 signature issue, that's one less thing I have to  
24 work on making sure they understand in the midst of  
25 a lot of information in one day they usually

1 receive. That allows me to move on to the next  
2 issue that we're dealing with; be it attendant  
3 wages, transportation, education. So every little  
4 thing we fix, you know, we allow people access to,  
5 moves us to the next step of something we need to  
6 accomplish.

7 BY MS. MACKIN:

8 Q. This is not a suggestion that you should  
9 have done this, because I know that, you know,  
10 you've expressed that there are -- you have some  
11 concerns about the process, but I'm just curious as  
12 to whether CTD has dedicated any resources to try  
13 and help folks who can't get to the polling place in  
14 person, get a witness for their mail-in ballot?

15 MR. MIRZA: Objection, form.

16 You can answer.

17 A. No.

18 BY MS. MACKIN:

19 Q. That's fair. That was all I --

20 A. Actually, let me back up and say, with  
21 Susie and Juan, they did ask me about a witness,  
22 their witness that they had chosen. So I did talk  
23 them through it. We have talked to people about --  
24 we don't send witnesses out. We don't do any of  
25 that. We try and help them understand it so that

1 they can ask people around them.

2 MS. MACKIN: Well, that is all I have  
3 and I actually hope to -- maybe I will see you  
4 around the capitol next session.

5 THE WITNESS: Definitely.

6 MS. MACKIN: Nice visiting with you.

7 MR. MIRZA: I have a few questions,  
8 if that's okay.

9 EXAMINATION

10 BY MR. MIRZA:

11 Q. Chase, can you name some of the -- let me  
12 scratch that.

13 So you named three members you spoke to  
14 earlier in the deposition, correct?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. Can you rename those individuals?

17 A. Rene Lopez, Gloria Angel and Juan Munoz.

18 Q. And Rene Lopez, is she a member of CTD?

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. Is she planning to vote by mail in the  
21 future?

22 A. Yes. Yes.

23 Q. In the next election?

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. And how is she eligible to vote by



1 mail --

2 A. She has --

3 Q. -- to your understanding? Can you say  
4 that again?

5 A. She has a significant disability, impairs  
6 part of her arms and her legs, similar to me.

7 Q. And, Chase, are you a member of CTD?

8 A. Yes.

9 Q. Are you planning to vote by mail in the  
10 next election?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. And based on what eligibility?

13 A. Disability.

14 MR. MIRZA: I think that's  
15 everything. Pass the witness. And if there are no  
16 other questions, I reserve my time.

17 MR. MAGEE: I think I have a couple  
18 of questions real quick just based on that.

19 EXAMINATION

20 BY MR. MAGEE:

21 Q. Mr. Bearden, my name is Eric Magee and I  
22 represent the Brazos County Elections Administrator,  
23 Trudy Hancock, in her official capacity. You  
24 understand that she's also being sued in this  
25 lawsuit?

## REPORTER'S CERTIFICATION

I, Micheal A. Johnson, Registered Diplomat  
Reporter, Certified Realtime Reporter and Notary  
Public in and for the State of Texas, certify that  
on the 19th day of May, 2020, I reported the Remote  
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I further certify that I am neither counsel  
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# Exhibit 38

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
SAN ANTONIO DIVISION

DR. GEORGE RICHARDSON, ROSALIE §  
WEISFELD, AUSTIN JUSTICE §  
COALITION, COALITION OF TEXANS §  
WITH DISABILITIES, MOVE TEXAS §  
CIVIC FUND, LEAGUE OF WOMEN §  
VOTERS OF TEXAS, and AMERICAN GI §  
FORUM OF TEXAS, INC., §

*Plaintiffs*

v.

Civil Case No. 5:19-cv-00963-OG

TEXAS SECRETARY OF STATE, TRUDY §  
HANCOCK, in her official capacity as §  
BRAZOS COUNTY ELECTIONS §  
ADMINISTRATOR, and PERLA LARA in §  
her official capacity as CITY OF §  
MCALLEN, TEXAS SECRETARY, §

*Defendants.*

**DECLARATION OF CHASE BEARDEN**

My name is Chase Bearden. I am over the age of 18 and capable of making this declaration. The facts stated herein are within my personal knowledge.

1. I am the Deputy Executive Director of the Coalition of Texans with Disabilities (CTD).
2. Attached hereto are true and correct copies of documents produced to Defendants in the course of discovery, as follows:
  - a. CTD 2019 Annual Report – Bates CTD-00000037 – CTD-00000044
  - b. Webpage about CTD 2019 Annual Report – Bates CTD-00000065 – CTD-00000069
  - c. CTD website “About Us” page – Bates CTD-00000080 – CTD-00000081

- d. Disability Rights Texas voting notice – Bates CTD-00000005 – CTD-00000007
- e. May 14, 2012 Electronic Newsletter – Bates CTD-00000026 – CTD-00000027
- f. February 14, 2014 Electronic Newsletter – Bates CTD-00000028 – CTD-00000029
- g. February 20, 2019 Facebook post – Bates CTD-00000108 – CTD-00000109
- h. Web page on Voting – Bates CTD-00000070 – CTD-00000074
- i. February 14 2020 Facebook video post – Bates CTD-00001116 – CTD-00001117
- j. July 4 2019 Facebook post – Bates CTD-00001115

This Declaration is made pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746. I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on: 6-19-2020



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Chase Bearden  
Deputy Executive Director  
Coalition of Texans with Disabilities

# Exhibit 39





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#### **VOTING NOTICE TO VOTERS DISPLACED BY HURRICANE HARVEY**

If you were living in a county that was affected by Hurricane Harvey and had to relocate to another county, please know that you can still vote in your home county or the county in which you currently reside. In regards to the voting and residence, the Secretary of State's office has said that, you are the one who decides what you consider to be home.

You will need to make decisions by certain deadlines, as all regular deadlines are still in place and have not been waived.

If you would like to vote in the county you currently reside in (and it is different than where you previously lived), you may register to vote by the deadline date of Monday, February 5, 2018.

In order to participate in your home county's election you must submit a Ballot-By-Mail application to your home county's Voter Registrar. Complete the application and make sure to fill out what new/temporary address the ballot will be mailed to (Box #8). The Ballot-By-Mail application must be submitted by February 23, 2018.

*To obtain a Ballot-By-Mail application, you may visit <http://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/forms/pol-sub/5-15f.pdf>, print out the application, fill it out, and mail it (you must include a stamp) to your home county's election official. To find out the mailing address of your county's election office, visit <http://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/voter/county.shtml#F>.*

Also please be aware that if you do not have a state ID or supporting documentation (as outlined by the Secretary of State's Office), you are still able to cast your ballot by completing a Reasonable Impediment form that will be available at your polling site. When completing the form, make sure to mark the reason of "Missing ID" or "Other: Hurricane".

Visual guides on how to complete a Ballot-By-Mail application or Reasonable Impediment form are shown below.

In case you have more voting related questions, please contact the statewide Disability Rights Texas Voter Rights Hotline at 1-888-796-VOTE (8683).

## **VOTER RIGHTS HOTLINE: 1-888-796-VOTE**

**Video Phone: 1-866-362-2851**

**E-mail: [VOTE@DRTx.org](mailto:VOTE@DRTx.org)**



**Ballot-By-Mail Application Visual Guide**

**Box 5:** Check "Expected absence from the county"

<b>5</b>	<b>Reason for Voting by Mail:</b>	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	65 years of age or older. (Complete Box #6a)
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Disability. (Complete Box #6a)
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Expected absence from the county. (Complete Box #6b and Box #8) You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election <u>only</u>
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Confinement in jail. (Complete Box #6b) You will receive a ballot for the upcoming election <u>only</u>

**Box 6b:** Be sure to mark which election you want to vote in (next 2018 election is in March) and which political party you will vote with in the March Primary.

<b>6b</b>	<b>ONLY Voters Absent from County or Voters Confined in Jail:</b> You may only apply for a ballot by mail for one election, and any resulting runoff. Please select the appropriate box.	
	<u>Uniform and Other Elections:</u>	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	May Election
	<input type="checkbox"/>	November Election
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other <u>March Primary</u>
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Any Resulting Runoff
	<u>Primary Elections:</u> You must declare <u>one</u> political party to vote in a primary:	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Democratic Primary
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Republican Primary

**Box 7:** If the ballot must be sent outside your home county, be sure to check "Address outside off county".

<b>7</b>	If you are requesting this ballot be mailed to a different address (other than residence), indicate where the ballot will be mailed. See reverse for instructions.	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mailing Address as listed on my voter registration certificate
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Nursing home, assisted living facility, or long term care facility
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Hospital
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Retirement Center
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Address of the jail
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Relative; relationship _____
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Address outside the county (see Box #8)

**Box 8:** Write the date you may begin to receive mail at the temporary/new address and when you plan to stop receiving mail at this address.

**\*\*If you are unsure when you will return to your home county, write down a date past November 7, 2017. If you end up moving to a new permanent address, please remember to complete a change of address form for your voter registration.**

<b>8</b>	If you selected "expected absence from the county," see reverse for instructions	
	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
	Date you can begin to receive mail at this address	Date of return to residence address

**REASONABLE IMPEDIMENT DECLARATION**

TO BE COMPLETED BY VOTER

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**VOTER'S DECLARATION OF REASONABLE IMPEDIMENT OR DIFFICULTY**

By signing this declaration, I swear or affirm under penalty of perjury that I am the same individual who personally appeared at the polling place, that I am casting a ballot while voting in-person, and I face a reasonable impediment or difficulty that prevents me from getting an acceptable form of photo identification.

My reasonable impediment or difficulty is due to the following reason(s): (Check at least one box below)

- ☐ Lack of transportation      ☐ Disability or illness      ☐ Lack of birth certificate or other documents needed to obtain acceptable photo ID
- ☐ Work schedule Family responsibilities      ☐ Lost or stolen photo ID Photo ID applied for but not received
- ☐ Other reasonable impediment or difficulty \_\_\_\_\_ Hurricane

**The reasonableness of your impediment or difficulty cannot be questioned.**

X \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Voter

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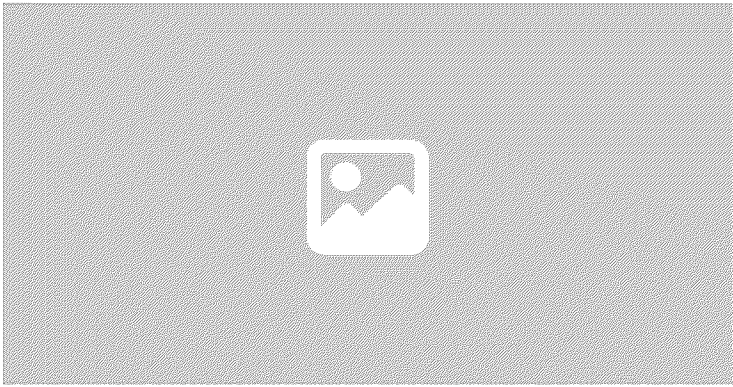


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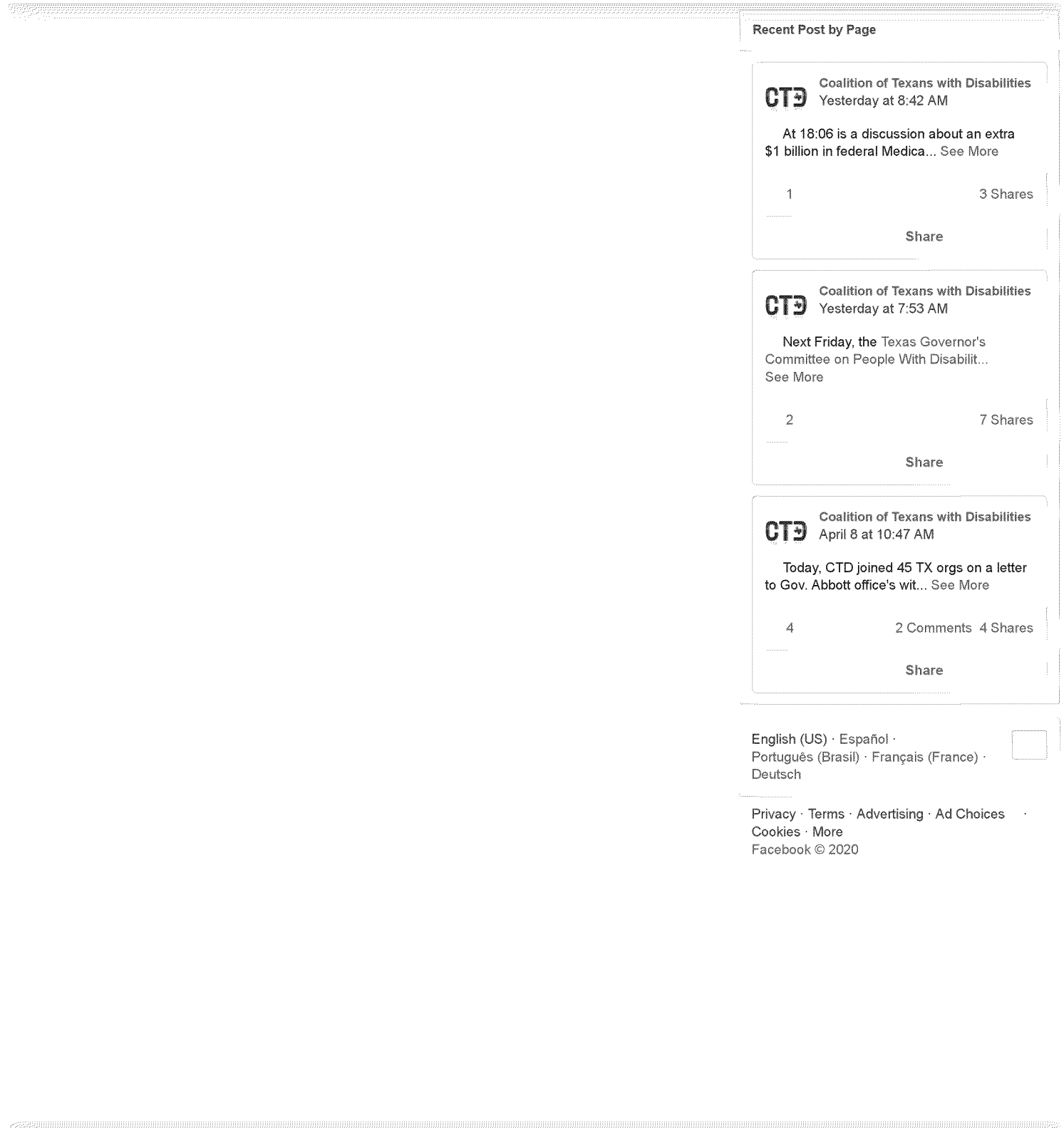
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May 1.

## CTD Competitions:



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**1. Adjusted Lens: CTD's Disability Photo Competition.** This is our very first year for this competition and it's part of this year's Cinema Touching Disability Short Film Competition. We are looking for photos that capture person(s) with disabilities working, living, learning, playing, and fully participating in their communities.

Deadline: August 24, 2012

Who can enter? Anyone who can take a digital photo.

Prizes:

**Grand Prize** -- \$150.00 and a framed print of his/her photo.

**2nd Place** -- A 1st edition copy of La Vida Brinca: A Book of Tragaluz Photographs by Bill Wittcliff (Value \$50.00) and a framed print of his/her photo.

**3rd Place** -- A framed print of his/her photo.

\*\*\*All winning photos and selected entries will be featured at the Cinema Touching Disability Film Festival and displayed in a traveling Adjusted Lens exhibit.

For rules and entry instructions, visit [Adjusted Lens](#).

**2. 2012 Cinema Touching Disability Short Film Competition** We want to see your best 3-20 minute film made about disability or by a person with a disability.

Deadline: August 10, 2012

Who can enter? Emerging Filmmakers (18+ yrs) and Scholastic Filmmakers (grades 6th - 12th)

Party primaries for State & Federal Elections are right around the corner. Early voting begins May 14th until May 25th, and then the official Election Day will be held on Tuesday May 29th. While considering when to vote, keep in mind that early voting is much easier because the voting sites will be less crowded and you don't need to know what precinct you are assigned to. Just take your voters' registration card to any early voting site and vote. Also, be aware that the voter ID laws that were passed by the legislature in 2011 will not be in effect for these primaries. According to Secretary of State Hope Andrade, this is because they are currently under review by the courts & Department of Justice.

CTD urges everyone who is registered to vote to do so. Many people don't realize what exercising their right to vote really means. Not only are you picking your candidate choices, but your vote also shows your interest in what happens in your community and legislators will be more apt to listen to their constituents with disabilities.

### Voting at the Polls:

There are two ways to cast your ballot if you are a Texas voter with a disability or an older Texas voter:

1. Independently with an accessible voting machine: Accessible machines are available at every polling place, except in some nonfederal elections that are held in counties with a population under 20,000.
2. At an accessible voting machine with assistance: You can be assisted by a person of your choice that isn't an election worker, 2 election workers on Election Day, or an election worker at early voting. However, the person you choose cannot be your employer, an agent of your employer, or an officer or agent of your union. He/she must also take an oath which states that he/she will not influence your vote, will mark the ballot as you direct, and will not tell anyone how you voted.

### Alternative Methods of Voting:

Whether you are a Texas voter with a disability or an older Texas voter who is unable to physically get to voting polls or you just can't go into the voting place for some reason, you can still exercise your right to vote by using one of the two other ways:

- Curbside voting: An election official can bring the ballot to you at the entrance of your car at curbside. After you mark your ballot, give it back to an election official and he/she will put it in the ballot box. You may also request that a companion hand the ballot to you and deposit it for you. If you plan to be alone during curbside voting, you should call ahead so election officials will expect you.
- By mail: If you will be 65 or older on Election Day, have a disability, or will be out of the county during early voting hours and on Election Day, you may apply to vote by mail. Simply submit a completed and signed application for a ballot by mail any time between now and May 23rd to the proper early voting clerk. Applications for a ballot

Picture: Secretary of State Hope Andrade talking to CTD Staff (Left to Right: Bryson Smith, William Grady Chase Bearden, David Borel)

Prizes:

**1st Place** -- \$500

**2nd Place** -- \$250

**3rd Place** -- \$100

[Click Here](#) to enter our competition.

Or, for the rules and to find out more, visit:

[Cinema Touching Disability Short Film Competition](#)

3. **Pen 2 Paper Creative Writing Competition** is still collecting your stories, your perspectives, your fears, and your discoveries about disability.

Deadline: August 20, 2012

Contest is open to Texas writers, with or without disabilities, of all writing levels.


To find out guidelines and to look at entries from past winners, visit [Pen 2 Paper](#).

Follow all the work we do and the progress we're making by checking us out on:




By clicking on the donate button below, you will become a supporting member of CTD and help us to keep advocating for Texans with disabilities.

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 **Table: Your polling places will meet these strict accessibility standards**

by mail may be submitted in person at a main early voting polling place, as long as early voting by personal appearance is taking place.

If you have any problems voting, please contact Disability Rights Texas at 512-481-4816 or call the voting hotline 1-888-VOTE and someone will investigate the matter.

 **Logo for MY MEDICAID MATTERS: REAL PEOPLE REAL VOICES REAL REFORM**

The My Medicaid website has just launched at [www.mmmmtx.org](http://www.mmmmtx.org), so take a moment to learn more about our education campaign. You will be able to learn more about the benefits of Medicaid, what could happen to Texas if Medicaid were reduced or eliminated, and how you can become a supporting organization. If all the information seems overwhelming, please at least find and sign our electronic petition.

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February 14, 2014

## An Exciting Change to the Application for Ballot By Mail

After sending out last week's newsletter about the importance of voting for people with disabilities, one of our readers reached out to us to point out an important omission. On January 1, 2014, House Bill 666 (H.B. 666) was put into effect to establish the Annual Application for Ballot By Mail (Annual ABBM). Now, Texans who are age 65+ and/or have a disability can use the Annual ABBM option to automatically receive a ballot in the mail for each election within that calendar year instead of applying each and every time. The Annual ABBM only operates in elections in which the county clerk is also the early voting clerk. "Annual ABBM" is the terminology used by the Office of the Secretary of State, and will be used in their calendars and other advisories.

### What You Need to Know to Apply for an Annual ABBM:

1. **February 21, 2014** is the last day to submit an application for ballot by mail if you want to vote in the March 4th primaries.
2. If you miss this deadline, you can still apply for the remaining elections for 2014. Applications must be submitted by the 9th day before the first election that you want to vote in. If the 9th day falls on a weekend, the cutoff will move to the 11th day before.
3. You can request an application for a ballot by mail either by sending an email through the Secretary of State's office or order a copy online or just download the application and print it out.
4. When filling out the application, check the "Annual Application" box on #6a (see the example at the left).
5. On #6a of the application, if voting in the primaries, you must indicate whether you are voting Democratic or Republican. **Note:**

 Application form showing where to check

**If you don't check either party or you check both parties, your application will be rejected.**

6. If someone helps you fill out the application and/or submits it for you, he or she is required to fill out 11a & 11b.
7. You can submit the application in one of the following methods:
  - In person to the Early Voting Clerk.
  - By mail via U.S. Postal Service.
  - By fax to the Early Voting Clerk.
  - By Common Contract Carrier.

The first method can only be done by the applicant and only until early voting begins. The other methods can be done by either the applicant or an assistant even after early voting begins.

8. If you decide to vote at the polls or take your ballot to the polls after getting approved for an Annual ABBM, the Annual ABBM will become inactive for the rest for the year.

9. If you change any personal information (including name and address) on your voters' registration card, you must re-submit your Annual ABBM.

For more details or information on the Annual ABBM, go to the [Secretary](#)

of State website.

## Encountered Any Issues While Voting?

Follow all the work we do and the progress we're making by checking us out on:



Just maybe you'll be inspired to join us in the fight!

The Disability Rights Texas' Voter Rights team is available to help voters with disabilities that are experiencing **any** type of voting-related problem. If you run into any problems with the new voter ID law, accessibility at a polling location, applying for ABBM, etc., you can contact the Disability Rights Texas' Voter Rights team at (512) 454-4816 or toll free at 1-888-796-VOTE (8683).

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# CTD 2019 ANNUAL REPORT

*Disability Advocacy, Organizing, Arts & Film, Consulting, and Consumer Direction.*



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*How did CTD work to bring down barriers for you in 2019? Read on!*

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Cover photos, from top: Mimi Hau and Armando Martinez shooting a scene for SEW ADAPTIVE (photo by Jennifer Bracy for CTD); actor and disability activist RJ Mitte hosts CTDF 2019 (photo by William Philpott for CTD); Jean-Paul Mejia, as featured in the CBD is Medicine campaign (photo by POOLHOUSE); Dennis Borel and Chase Bearden at the State Capitol (photo by CTD).

## 2019 by the numbers

68 advocacy partners

\$409 M dollars CTD influenced  
in the state budget

+400,000 hours worked by CDS Division  
community attendants

16 years of the Cinema Touching Disability  
Film Festival



# CTD in the 2019 Legislature

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CTD's Susie Angel and Dennis Borel meet with Nelda Hunter, chief of staff for Rep. Zerwas. Photo by the Texas Tribune.

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... aspire to a post-secondary education, CTD had a foundational role in legislation to create, for the first time, a legally-mandated advisory council for post-secondary education for young people with disabilities.

"Partnering with CTD provided a perfect opportunity for dental hygiene students in my public health course to gain greater awareness of the barriers that adults with disabilities face in accessing oral health care in Texas and how to advocate to create change in public policy. By the end of their day at the Capitol, the students confidence grew exponentially and they discovered how they can be agents of change."

Michelle Landrum, RDH, M.Ed.



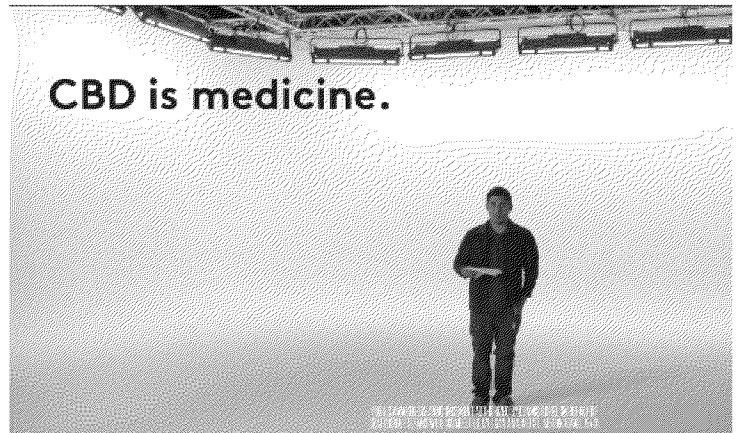


... or your child has autism, multiple sclerosis, any kind of seizure disorder, spasticity, terminal cancer, or an incurable neurodegenerative disease like ALS or Parkinson's, CTD was the lead consumer advocate to include all of those diagnoses in expanded access to medical cannabis in Texas. Texans for Responsible Marijuana Policy honored CTD's Chase Bearden with a Leading Advocates Award for his work this session.

In addition, CTD produced a statewide advocacy campaign, CBD is Medicine, which told stories of real Texans whose lives have dramatically improved with legal access to CBD (right).

... or a family member is a person with a guardian, CTD was a principal advocate to expand monitoring of guardianship for compliance with laws and regulations, an area that had very minimal oversight.

... are a voter with a disability, CTD was in the middle of the battle against legislation that would have set new hurdles for voters with disabilities and those who assist them. For those who choose to use mail-in ballots, CTD reminds you to be very clear and consistent with your signatures, which can be used to toss a ballot.



Jean-Paul Mejia in the CBD is Medicine public awareness campaign. Still by POOLHOUSE.

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Read it at [www.TXDisabilities.org/advocacy](http://www.TXDisabilities.org/advocacy).

"Working with CTD has been a very valuable experience for me in my journey into advocacy. Protecting the rights of my daughter and others with disabilities is truly my heart. Being disabled myself gives me one perspective, but being a mother to a disabled daughter has changed everything. The testimony at the Capitol changed me and none of that would have been possible without you."

Christiana Voorhes (pictured with Rep. Justin Holland and CTD's Chase Bearden)



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... have public or private health insurance. As a member of United Healthcare's National Advisory Board, CTD addresses disability services for one of America's largest health insurers, both in Texas and beyond.

... value community over institutions. CTD works primarily in Texas, but we recognize that decisions in Washington have an impact on our lives in the states. We maintain relationships with key members of the Texas congressional delegation to advocate on key federal issues. One focus has been the Empower Act to reauthorize the Money Follows the Person Act, providing federal money to relocate people from institutions to the community, achieved in late 2019.

## Consumer Direction

Our CDS Division gives Texans with disabilities the support they need to manage their own attendants. If you are among the nearly 400 individuals served in our Consumer Directed Services program, or their 500 attendants, then you know the benefits.

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# Arts Programs at CTD

Finally, in the media, we are seeing more and more (and better!) representations of people with disabilities. Through our arts programming, we are proud that we have contributed to this cultural shift locally, and around the world.

In 2019, if you are...

... a cinephile, our 16th annual Cinema Touching Disability Film Festival (CTDFF) continued breaking new ground, with sellout crowds! Actor/ activist RJ Mitte joined the Fest as our guest host, running the show and telling stories about his own rise to fame in Hollywood!



CTDFF staff, guests, and fashion challenge participants and film crew. Photo by William Philpott for CTD.

For this year's theme of adaptive fashion, we partnered with two essential players in the adaptive fashion movement, the Runway of Dreams Foundation and Cur8able, to present short films on adaptive fashion, as well as a presentation by disability fashion stylist Stephanie Thomas. Then, we debuted garments from our own CTDFF Adaptive Fashion Challenge, which connected local models with disabilities to local designers, in order to solve a clothing-related problem. Our short documentary SEW ADAPTIVE gave the audience a look behind the scenes.

Thanks to our 2019 sponsors and volunteers!

Read this year's full wrap up, with Short Film Competition results and more, at

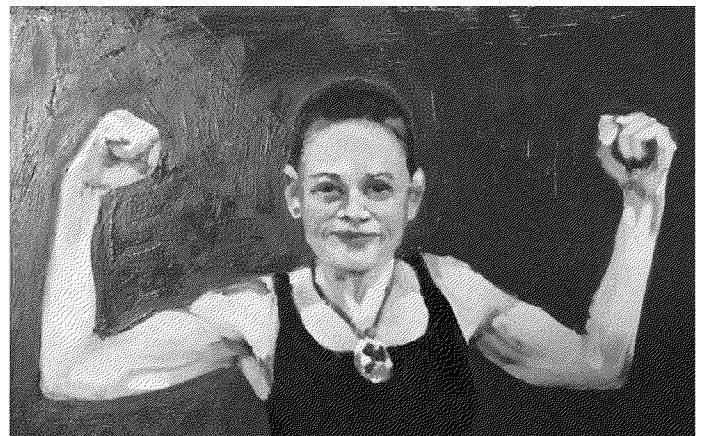
[www.CTDFilmFest.org](http://www.CTDFilmFest.org).

... a writer or reader, we celebrated 10 years of our international Pen 2 Paper disability-focused creative writing contest. We received a ton of outstanding work among nearly 400 entries and are pleased to have partnered with Oleb Books on the Oleb Books Personal Essay Award.

Read this year's finalists and winners at

[www.TXDisabilities.org/pen-2-paper](http://www.TXDisabilities.org/pen-2-paper).

Plus, we continued our monthly Lion and Pirate Open Mic series with Art Spark Texas at Malvern Books, hosting performers with and without disabilities of all stripes. Featured performers in 2019 included musicians The Old Hats, Cook and Rose, and David and Ann Marie Romero, poet Spirit Thom, and author Skip Bellon.



Portrait of Tanya (Tanya Winters). Photo by David Borden.

... interested in painting, CTD embarked on a new collaboration with Austin artist David Borden. Accessible Portraits: Painting People as They See Themselves "dares society to change its perceptions of disability and beauty." We previewed Accessible Portraits at CTDFF and can't wait to share where it's going in 2020!



## Our vision for 2020

Looking ahead to 2020, a legislative interim year, we have big plans to continue our work mentioned above, and invite you to join us!

If you...

... are a voter with a disability, CTD is a leading member of REV UP Texas coalition, and is working to promote the disability vote in the 2020 Presidential election. We remind all individuals who vote by mail: to ensure your vote is counted, make sure the signatures on your Ballot by Mail Application and ballot match as closely as possible.

... are committed to state policy change, CTD is planning a series of Raise Your Voice! Roundtables and training events around the state. Through our RYV! advocacy events, CTD comes to your community, to learn, listen, train, and empower you! We are committed to involving you in meaningful ways in our preparations for the 2021 Legislature.

... enjoy art and performance—or are an artist yourself—our Cinema Touching Disability Short Film Competition is open now! Join us at an upcoming open mic at Malvern Books. And stay tuned for

announcements about CTD Film Festival dates, the Pen 2 Paper 2020 deadline, the release of our anthology with Oleb Books, open mic dates, Accessible Portraits events, and more!

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“Such an amazing event!!! Very well planned and organized. Wonderful choice to have a showing here. Spacious theatre, kind service, and great speakers.”

Anonymous Cinema Touching Disability audience survey





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CDS DIVISION

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*Below: James Meadors, Kennis Price, and CTD's Dennis Borel visit with Rep. Bill Flores (left) on issues of concern to Texans with developmental disabilities.*

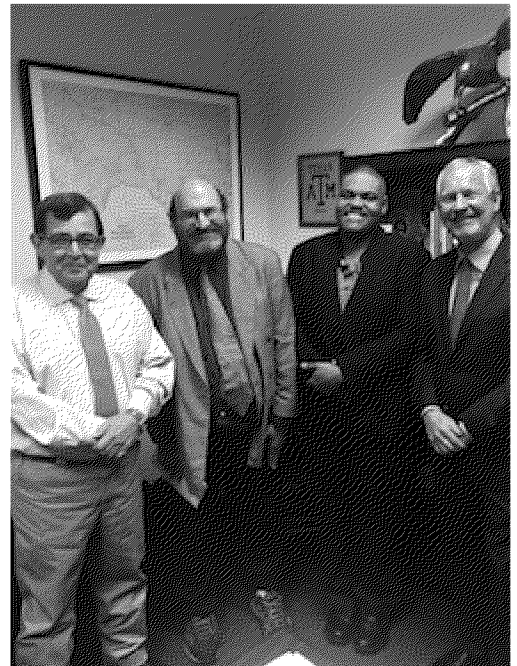
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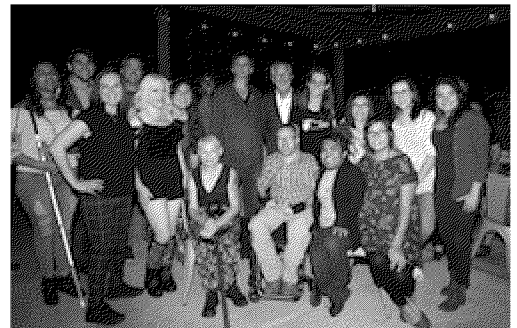
*Right: Anita Longoria, an attendant employed by a CDS Division consumer, receives a certificate of appreciation at Amerigroup's annual Caregivers' Luncheon.*

## Arts Programs at CTD

Finally, in the media, we are seeing more and more (and better!) representations of people with disabilities. Through our arts programming, we are proud that we have contributed to this cultural shift locally, and around the world.

In 2019, if you are...

... a cinephile, our **16th annual Cinema Touching Disability Film Festival (CTDFF)** continued breaking new ground, with sellout crowds, our celebrity guest host, RJ Mitte, a focus on adaptive fashion, and a slate of the best international disability short films! [Read the full wrap up.](#)



*Right: CTDFF organizers, guests, and fashion challenge participants and film crew somehow managed to be in one spot at one time for a photo!*

... a writer or reader, we celebrated 10 years of our international **Pen 2 Paper disability-focused creative writing contest**. We received a ton of outstanding work among nearly 400 entries and are pleased to have partnered with [Oleb Books](#) on the Oleb Books Personal Essay Award. Plus, we continued our monthly **Lion and Pirate Open Mic series** with Art Spark Texas at Malvern Books, featuring performers with and without disabilities of all stripes.

... into painting, CTD embarked on a new collaboration with Austin artist David Borden. **Accessible Portraits: Painting People as They See Themselves** "dares society to change its perceptions of disability and beauty." We previewed Accessible Portraits at CTDFF at can't wait to share where it's going in 2020!

## Our vision for 2020



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... enjoy art and performance-or are an artist yourself-our Cinema Touching Disability Short Film Competition is open now! Join us at an upcoming open mic Jan. 4 or Feb. 2 at Malvern Books. And stay tuned for announcements about CTD Film Festival dates, the Pen 2 Paper 2020 deadline, the release of our anthology with Oleb Books, open mic dates, Accessible Portraits events, and more!

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## VOTING



### Our Position

CTD supports legislation that protects the rights of all Texans with disabilities to participate fully in the voting process, including: accessible voting technologies at all polling locations, the elimination of architectural and communication barriers at polling locations, and protecting the rights of eligible voters to participate in elections.

### The Latest

April 10: New voting dates for the 2020 Election:

- Monday, June 15: [New Voter Registration Deadline](#)
- Friday, July 3: [New Mail-In Ballot Application Deadline](#)
- Monday - Friday July 6 - 10: New Early Voting (note, 5 days only)
- Tuesday, July 14: New Election Day and Mail-In Ballot Return Deadline (7pm CST). This includes the May Primary Run-offs and Kirk Watson special election.
- The November 2020 election will now also include local run-offs (that were to be held in early May).

April 6: [By a 5–4 Vote, SCOTUS Lets Wisconsin Throw Out Tens of Thousands of Mail-In Ballots](#). "The court will nullify the votes of citizens who mailed in their ballots late, because they did not receive ballots until after Election Day due to the coronavirus pandemic." CTD's response: Thought your right to vote was safe? Think again. Not only will many Wisconsin mail-in voters be disenfranchised, but 95% of polling places in blue Milwaukee will not be open. Worse yet, this is blessed by the Supreme Court. Take nothing for granted, be an advocate.

NOTE: If you vote by mail, make sure the signatures on your Ballot by Mail Application and ballot match as closely as possible. [Otherwise, your vote may be thrown out](#)

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From the letter the coalition sent to Senate: "We the undersigned members and supporters of REV UP Texas collectively and strongly urge you to oppose **SB 9**. **SB 9**, by creating new requirements for individuals providing assistance to voters with disabilities with potential criminal penalties, would have a chilling effect on the number of people willing to assist Texas voters with disabilities and increase barriers for voters with disabilities." [Read the full letter](#)

## Take Action

- [Register to Vote](#)

## Further Reading

- Blog: [Voting Independently with a Disability Is Possible](#) Susie Angel

## Resources

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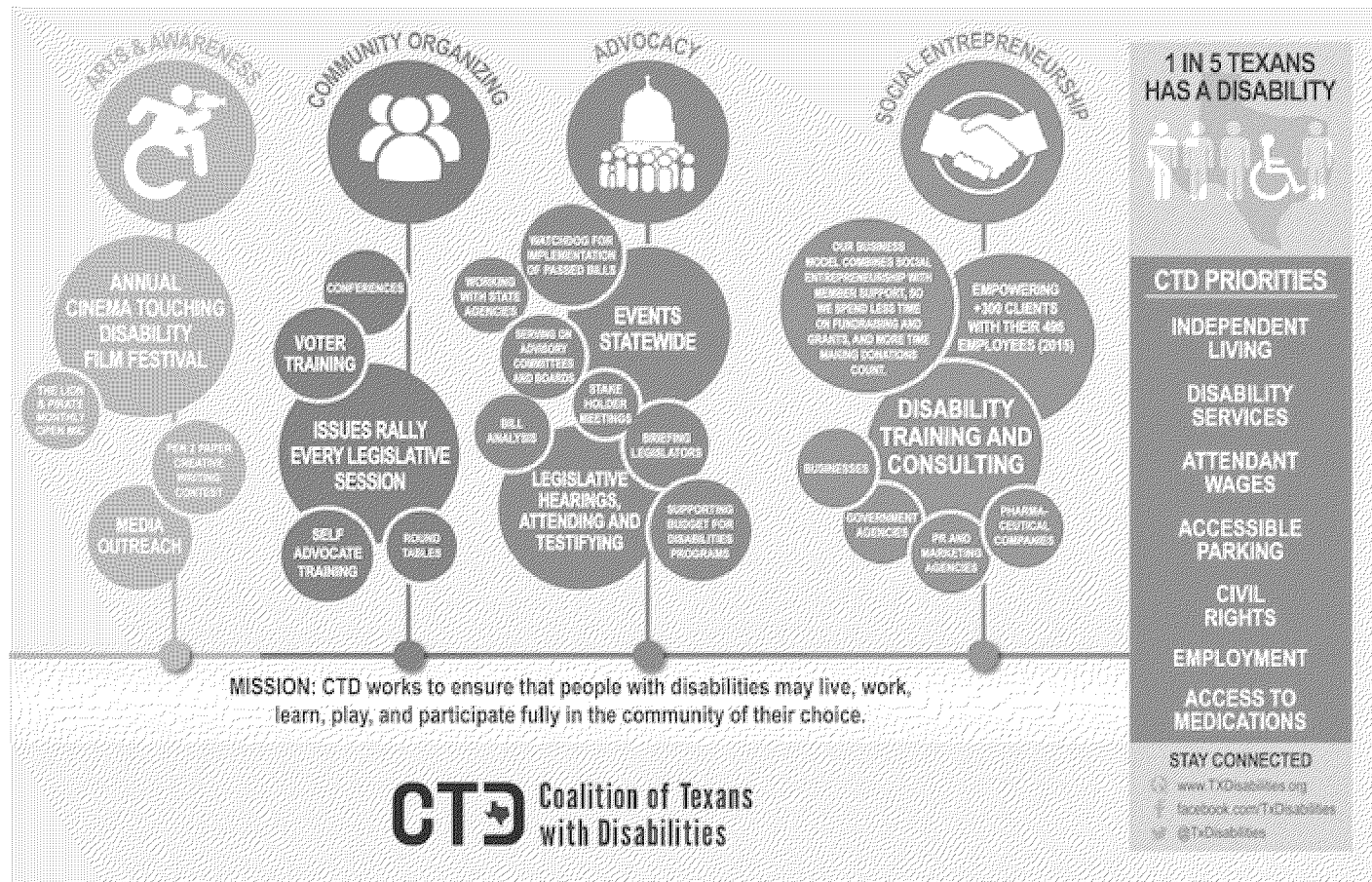
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## ABOUT US

Founded in 1978, CTD is the largest and oldest member-driven cross-disability organization in the state. "Cross-disability" refers to all types of disabilities and different functional needs, rather than a particular disability or subset of disabilities. CTD envisions a future where all Texans with all disabilities may work, live, learn, play, and participate fully in the community of their choice.

We focus on governmental advocacy, public awareness activities, and professional disability consulting to make Texas a leader in disability-related public policy and culture.



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Engaging the general public contributes to positive cultural shifts, and for this reason, CTD is committed to holding outstanding **public awareness** initiatives. Each year, we produce events and presentations that focus on disability in the arts, sports & recreation, and consumer education, most notably, our award winning [Cinema Touching Disability Film Festival & Short Film Competition](#).



Our staff (L-R, back row): Aracely Menendez, Rosie Williams, Denise Ellison, Dennis Borel, Chris Masey, Tiffany Williams, William Greer, Kit Cuny. (L-R, front row) Jennifer Bracy, Susie Angel, Chase Bearden, Laura Perna.

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### Our Staff

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Members of the media interested in leveraging our expertise or scheduling an interview about an issue or upcoming event are encouraged to contact Dennis Borel at 512-478-3366.

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## Texas Civil Rights Project

February 19 ·

Texans! This Friday, Feb 21st, is the deadline to request a mail-in ballot for the 2020 Primary! This is an important resource for voters who are elderly, living with disabilities, or may be out of town during this election. Here are the directions to apply:

<https://www.sos.texas.gov/elections/voter/reqabbm.shtml>

If you plan to use this method to cast your ballot, we want you to be aware of some of the flaws involved in the process. Every election, Texas counties reject hundreds of mail-in ballots solely on the basis of perceived mismatched signatures. Learn more:



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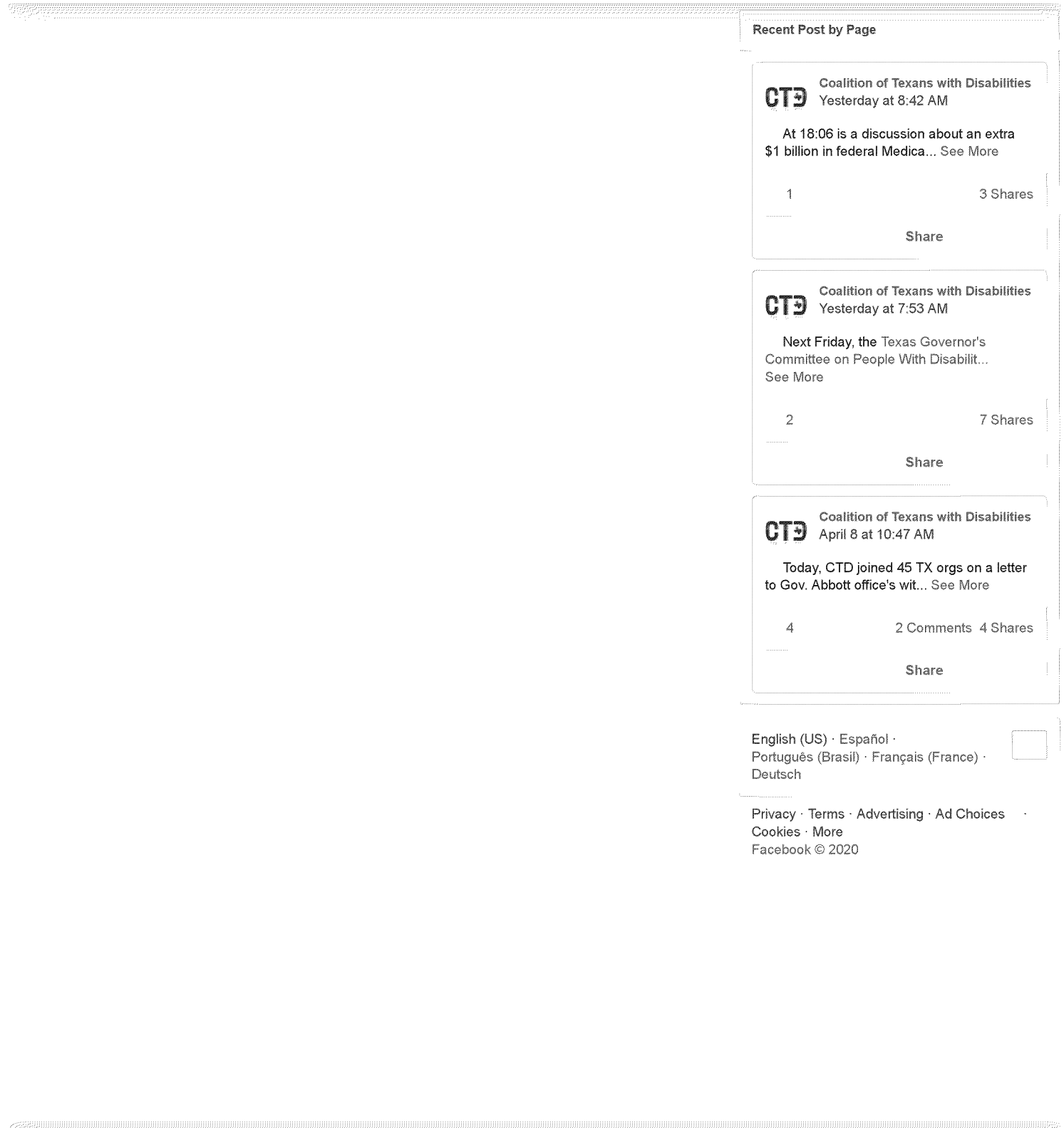
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February 14 ·

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JUSTICE COALITION, \*  
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DISABILITIES, MOVE TEXAS \*  
CIVIC FUND, LEAGUE OF \*  
WOMEN VOTERS OF TEXAS, \*  
and AMERICAN GI FORUM OF \*  
TEXAS, INC., \*

Plaintiffs, \*

VS. \*

CIVIL ACTION NUMBER  
5:19-cv-0963

TEXAS SECRETARY OF \*  
STATE, TRUDY HANCOCK, IN \*  
HER OFFICIAL CAPACITY AS \*  
BRAZOS COUNTY ELECTIONS \*  
ADMINISTRATOR, AND PERLA \*  
LARA IN HER OFFICIAL \*  
CAPACITY AS CITY OF \*  
McALLEN, TEXAS \*  
SECRETARY, \*

Defendants. \*

Remote Oral Deposition of

MOVE Texas Civic Fund,

By and through their Designated Representative,

HILLIARD DREW GALLOWAY

May 22, 2020

10:02 a.m.

Reported by:

Micheal A. Johnson, RDR, CRR

1           REMOTE ORAL DEPOSITION OF MOVE TEXAS CIVIC  
2   FUND, BY AND THROUGH THEIR DESIGNATED  
3   REPRESENTATIVE, HILLIARD DREW GALLOWAY, produced at  
4   the instance of the Defendant, Texas Secretary of  
5   State, in the above-styled and numbered cause on the  
6   22nd day of May, 2020, at 10:02 a.m., before Micheal  
7   A. Johnson, RDR, CRR, Notary Public in and for the  
8   State of Texas, reported by realtime stenographic  
9   means, at the location of the witness, Austin,  
10   Texas, pursuant to Notice of Oral Deposition, and in  
11   accordance with the Federal Rules of Civil  
12   Procedure.

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## PROCEEDINGS

HILLIARD DREW GALLOWAY,

called as a witness, having been duly sworn by a  
Notary Public, was examined and testified as  
follows:

## EXAMINATION

BY MS. MACKIN:

Q. Good morning, Mr. Galloway. If I could  
please have you speak and spell your name for the  
record.

A. Good morning. My name is Hilliard,  
H-i-l-l-i-a-r-d, Drew, D-r-e-w, Galloway,  
G-a-l-l-o-w-a-y.

Q. Thank you. And we had the opportunity to  
cover some ground when I took your deposition for  
another case, so I'm going to try to avoid  
duplicative things, but -- and hopefully get us out  
of here maybe a little earlier on our Friday.

Just a couple of those reminders. We  
will both try not to speak over one another so that  
Mr. Johnson can get an accurate record of everything  
that is said. And obviously, if you need a break at  
any time, just let me know. Okay?

A. Yes. It's good to see you again.

Q. You too. I think -- was it a Friday the

1 Q. Okay. And how about Trudy Hancock or the  
2 Brazos County election administrator?

3 A. Not to my knowledge, other than if our  
4 organizers engaged Brazos County election  
5 administrator on voter registration, like  
6 deputization, like those general items.

7 Q. Okay. But you're not sure whether or not  
8 that happened?

9 A. We have organizers that are deputized in  
10 Brazos County.

11 Q. Okay. That is all that I have on the  
12 complaint. I'm going to put that off to the side.

13 I'm going to pivot to the topics in the  
14 notice, starting with the first one. And again, I  
15 know we have covered this, but different case, fresh  
16 record. So what is MOVE Texas Civic Fund's mission?

17 A. MOVE Texas Civic Fund is a grassroots  
18 nonpartisan nonprofit organization building power  
19 for young people through civic education, leadership  
20 development and issue advocacy.

21 Q. And who developed that mission statement?

22 A. That mission statement was developed by  
23 the founders of MOVE in 2013, roughly.

24 Q. I actually -- I had one quick follow-up  
25 question on that, to backtrack a little bit.

1           You mentioned that the MOVE organization  
2 grew out of a student chapter at The University of  
3 Texas at San Antonio. A student chapter of what?

4           A.     MOVE Texas Civic -- the original founders  
5 of what is now MOVE Texas Civic Fund and MOVE Texas  
6 Action Fund formed a student-led organization at The  
7 University of Texas at San Antonio that was called  
8 Mobilize, Organize, Vote and Empower UTSA.

9           Q.     Got it. Okay. Cool. Thank you for  
10 that. All right.

11           And so that mission statement that you  
12 just discussed, based on our conversation, I think I  
13 know the answer, but has that changed over time?

14           A.     No, that's been the overarching mission  
15 statement since the organization was founded.

16           Q.     And is it the same as the mission of MOVE  
17 Texas Action Fund?

18           A.     MOVE Texas Action Fund's mission is, you  
19 know, very, very close, yes.

20           Q.     And I know that they do slight -- they do  
21 some different activities, but do they use the same  
22 mission statement?

23           A.     They use -- yes. Yes. A very similar  
24 mission statement.

25           Q.     And so you mentioned civic education,

1 canvassing? What is that?

2 A. Canvassing is our third method of voter  
3 registration that involves youth organizers walking  
4 around a specific campus, community college, high  
5 school event and/or community event, with clipboards  
6 and voter registration forms and asking individuals  
7 if they would like to register to vote.

8 Q. And then the one time that you mailed  
9 voter registration applications out, when was that?

10 A. That was in December of 2019.

11 Q. And how did you determine which voters --  
12 well, how did you determine which people to send  
13 those voter registration applications to?

14 A. We determined the list by age.

15 Q. Okay. What age?

16 A. We chose voters that we believed were  
17 unregistered or were not registered in our system,  
18 under the age of 30.

19 Q. And would you say that -- well, outside  
20 of that specific mail-out project that we talked  
21 about, in the context of all of MOVE Texas Civic  
22 Fund's voter registration efforts, does MOVE Texas  
23 Civic Fund target particular voters to get them  
24 registered?

25 A. We specifically target young voters,



1 which we identify as 17 and ten months, which is the  
2 beginning age limit for voter registration, all the  
3 way through, roughly, 35 years old. But we target  
4 mostly college students, high school students,  
5 community college students, but we will register  
6 anybody that walks up to the table.

7 Q. Barely hanging on. I turned 34 earlier  
8 this week. Got one more year.

9 A. You passed our target demographic.

10 Q. So other than those age criteria, does  
11 MOVE Texas Civic Fund target voters in any other way  
12 for its voter registration efforts?

13 MR. COX: Object to form.

14 You can answer, Drew, if you have --  
15 if you understand the question.

16 A. We will register anybody that is in the  
17 classroom or comes to our events regardless of age,  
18 political ideology, demographic issues.

19 BY MS. MACKIN:

20 Q. Okay. Does MOVE Texas Civic Fund engage  
21 in any voter registration efforts that are specific  
22 to voting by mail?

23 A. Can you repeat the question?

24 Q. Sure. Does MOVE Texas Civic Fund engage  
25 in any voter registration activities that are

1 specific to voting by mail?

2 MR. COX: Object to form.

3 A. Voter registration is a precursor to  
4 voting, whether that's in person or voting by mail,  
5 so we register any Texan that we can register. But  
6 often, vote by mail questions arise in the voter  
7 registration process, especially close to election  
8 time. And vote by mail questions arise in other  
9 programming environments.

10 BY MS. MACKIN:

11 Q. Okay. And again, correct me if I'm  
12 wrong, I'm not trying to put words in your mouth.  
13 It sounds like vote by mail is a part of your voter  
14 registration activities because it comes up. I  
15 mean --

16 A. It's part of our civic education  
17 activities, which a bucket of civic education work  
18 is voter registration.

19 Q. Are there specific projects or specific  
20 outings, specific class raps or tabling events or  
21 canvassing events, where MOVE Texas Civic Fund  
22 focuses just on voting by mail?

23 A. I'm not sure if I understand the  
24 question. So whenever we're doing voter  
25 registration, we often talk about other -- or answer

1 questions of people that we're registering to vote.  
2 Those questions can range from when is the next  
3 election, to what IDs do I need to go vote, to what  
4 happens if I take an internship and I leave the  
5 county for the fall semester. So when those  
6 questions arise, our organizers have to answer them.  
7 And so that's how vote by mail would come into that  
8 environment.

9 Q. Thank you for that. Okay.

10 I want to talk now about the third topic  
11 in the notice, the activities on which you, MOVE  
12 Texas Civic Fund, have spent funds and to which you  
13 have dedicated resources in Texas between  
14 January 1st, 2017, and the present. And based on  
15 our earlier conversation, it sounds like the best  
16 documents to show this information would be the  
17 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2020 budgets that were produced  
18 in discovery; is that right?

19 A. That is correct.

20 Q. Okay. Then I am going to share those  
21 documents. And it is part of a larger PDF file that  
22 begins on MOVE 916.

23 A. I see that. I have the document open  
24 now.

25 Q. Okay. Thank you. And then scrolling

1 track the number that you -- well, let me backtrack.  
2 Do you ever -- so it's my understanding that all  
3 your employees are volunteer deputy registrars such  
4 that, you know, they can facilitate folks getting  
5 registered --

6 MR. COX: Object to form.

7 A. I would say that the -- a very high  
8 majority of our employees are volunteer voter deputy  
9 registrars for at least one county.

10 BY MS. MACKIN:

11 Q. Okay. And so you said that you do track  
12 the number of folks you come in contact with; is  
13 that right?

14 A. We track the number of people that  
15 register to vote with us at an event, whether that  
16 is a class rap, a tabling or a canvassing event.  
17 And then we track the number of forms that we turn  
18 in to the elections department.

19 Q. Okay. Do you offer applications for a  
20 ballot by mail through any of your voter  
21 registration efforts?

22 A. Voter registration and vote by mail are  
23 two different items for us. So there is some, like,  
24 overlap where that happens in the field, but often  
25 vote by mail questions come up around election

1 times. So we could be doing voter registration  
2 pretty close to the election or the voter  
3 registration deadline, but vote by mail often comes  
4 up close to election times.

5 Q. Does MOVE Texas Civic Fund engage in any  
6 activities that are specific to vote by mail?

7 A. Yes.

8 Q. What are those?

9 A. We educate young people about the ability  
10 to vote by mail if they, one, have a disability or,  
11 two, are not going to be in the county during the  
12 election cycle; for instance, they have an  
13 internship in another state or in Washington, D.C.,  
14 or if they move back home for -- and there's a  
15 summer election or something to those effects.

16 Q. Okay. Anything else?

17 A. We also do -- MOVE Texas Action Fund and  
18 MOVE Texas Civic Fund does some vote by mail  
19 advocacy work at the elections administrators'  
20 office.

21 Q. Okay. Which elections administrators?

22 A. Bexar, Travis, Dallas, Harris, Webb and  
23 Hays.

24 Q. All right. So I've got educating young  
25 people about the ability to vote by mail if they're

1 eligible --

2 A. Correct.

3 Q. -- and advocacy to the elections  
4 administrators that you mentioned. Does MOVE Texas  
5 Civic Fund engage in any other activity that is  
6 specific to vote by mail?

7 A. Not that I can think of right now.

8 Q. Okay. Can MOVE Texas Civic Fund  
9 apportion the cost to register each voter that it  
10 registers?

11 A. We have a generalized cost of how much it  
12 cost us to register a voter per year.

13 Q. And what is that based on?

14 A. That's based on the budgets that you saw  
15 in 2020, 2019 and 2018.

16 Q. And so what is that cost for 2020?

17 A. Roughly, about \$24 a voter.

18 Q. And how is that \$24 calculated?

19 A. It's calculated by our projected civic  
20 education activities and how many voters we project  
21 that we're going to register during all of those --  
22 like all of those activities.

23 Q. Okay. And is there a cost to register  
24 each voter that MOVE Texas Civic Fund calculated for  
25 its 2019 voter registration efforts?



1 produced, it looks like the signature block doesn't  
2 distinguish between whether they're e-mailing on  
3 behalf of the civic fund or the action fund; is that  
4 correct?

5 A. Per law, we put both organizations in our  
6 signature line so that we are able to utilize a  
7 common e-mail address.

8 Q. And you don't have to, like, change it  
9 every single time you're doing one type of work  
10 versus the other?

11 A. That's correct.

12 Q. Okay. So how would I know, in looking at  
13 an e-mail sent by staff of the civic fund, whether  
14 they were e-mailing in their role with the civic  
15 fund or e-mailing in their role with the action  
16 fund?

17 MR. COX: Object to form.

18 A. It would be determined upon the subject  
19 of the e-mail.

20 BY MS. MACKIN:

21 Q. Okay. Do you know if MOVE Texas Civic  
22 Fund has ever assisted any voter whose mail-in  
23 ballot was rejected for signature mismatch?

24 A. We produced an e-mail from Ms. Weisfeld,  
25 or Weisfeld, notifying us that her ballot had been

1 rejected. We also commonly have to educate young  
2 people in classes, tabling, canvassing, other  
3 activities, of the importance of making sure that  
4 their signature is the same because of the situation  
5 in Texas.

6 Q. What I'm trying to get at, though, here  
7 is -- so you passed along -- or someone with MOVE  
8 passed along Ms. Weisfeld's information to Texas  
9 Civil Rights Project. Are you aware of any other  
10 individual voter who MOVE Texas Civic Fund assisted  
11 after their ballot was rejected for signature  
12 mismatch?

13 A. We have no documentation of any  
14 discussion; otherwise we would have produced that.

15 Q. So you're not aware of any specific  
16 individual voter?

17 A. That doesn't mean that it hasn't  
18 happened. We haven't answered those questions  
19 orally or directed them to contact the elections  
20 department. We just have nothing else other than  
21 what we produced in writing.

22 Q. Okay. So sitting here today you couldn't  
23 give me the name any other voter who MOVE Texas  
24 Civic Fund assisted after their ballot was rejected  
25 for signature mismatch?

1 lawsuit?" Do you see that?

2 A. That's what the e-mail says.

3 Q. Okay. And what lawsuit is that referring  
4 to?

5 A. I'm assuming that it would either be this  
6 lawsuit or any other voting rights lawsuit, but I'm  
7 assuming that it's this lawsuit.

8 Q. Okay. Prior to the communications in  
9 July of 2019, are you aware of any contact between  
10 Texas MOVE Civic Fund and Rosalie Weisfeld?

11 A. Not to my knowledge.

12 Q. And were you designated by MOVE Texas  
13 Civic Fund to testify on the topics in the  
14 deposition today?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. Okay. And if you could just explain to  
17 me a little bit more about the main mission of Texas  
18 MOVE Civic Fund; who is the target demographic of  
19 the organization?

20 MR. COX: Object to form.

21 A. MOVE Texas Civic Fund is a grassroots  
22 nonpartisan nonprofit organization that builds power  
23 for young Texans through civic education, leadership  
24 development and issue advocacy. We work  
25 predominantly for younger Texans on college

1 campuses, community colleges, high schools, but as I  
2 mentioned before, we register anybody to vote and we  
3 assist any Texan.

4 BY MR. STEVENSON:

5 Q. Did you assist Rosalie Weisfeld in  
6 registering to vote?

7 MR. COX: Objection, asked and  
8 answered.

9 But go ahead, Drew.

10 A. Not to my knowledge.

11 BY MR. STEVENSON:

12 Q. What precedents or activities does MOVE  
13 Civic Fund engage in in Hidalgo County?

14 A. Currently, our operations are based out  
15 of Bexar County, Webb County, Guadalupe County, Hays  
16 County, Travis County, Dallas County and Harris  
17 County.

18 Q. Okay. So based on that reply, I'm  
19 guessing that there's not a physical presence in  
20 Hidalgo County; is that correct?

21 A. That is correct. Even though we do  
22 interact with students who are from Hidalgo County  
23 that are at a separate college campus.

24 Q. Okay. And what is the nature of those  
25 interactions?

## REPORTER'S CERTIFICATION

I, Micheal A. Johnson, Registered Diplomat  
Reporter, Certified Realtime Reporter and Notary  
Public in and for the State of Texas, certify that  
on the 22nd day of May, 2020, I reported the Remote  
Oral Deposition of HILLIARD DREW GALLOWAY, after the  
witness had first been duly cautioned and sworn to  
testify under oath; said deposition was subsequently  
transcribed by me and under my supervision and  
contains a full, true and complete transcription of  
the proceedings had at said time and place; and that  
reading and signing was requested.

I further certify that I am neither counsel  
for nor related to any party in this cause and am  
not financially interested in its outcome.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL of office on  
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# Exhibit 49



UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
SAN ANTONIO DIVISION

DR. GEORGE RICHARDSON, ROSALIE §  
WEISFELD, AUSTIN JUSTICE §  
COALITION, COALITION OF TEXANS §  
WITH DISABILITIES, MOVE TEXAS §  
CIVIC FUND, LEAGUE OF WOMEN §  
VOTERS OF TEXAS, and AMERICAN GI §  
FORUM OF TEXAS, INC., §

*Plaintiffs*

v.

Civil Case No. 5:19-cv-00963-OG

TEXAS SECRETARY OF STATE, TRUDY §  
HANCOCK, in her official capacity as §  
BRAZOS COUNTY ELECTIONS §  
ADMINISTRATOR, and PERLA LARA in §  
her official capacity as CITY OF §  
MCALLEN, TEXAS SECRETARY, §

*Defendants.*

**DECLARATION OF HILLIARD DREW GALLOWAY**

My name is Hilliard Drew Galloway. I am over the age of 18 and capable of making this declaration. The facts stated herein are within my personal knowledge.

1. I am the Executive Director of the MOVE Texas Civic Fund (“MOVE”).
2. MOVE is a non-profit organization with its primary offices in San Antonio, Texas.
3. MOVE is a grassroots nonpartisan organization that builds power in underrepresented youth communities through civic education, leadership development, and issue advocacy.
4. Since its inception, MOVE has worked to expand voter registration and equal access to voting.

5. MOVE actively works to register eligible young people to vote and ensure that they cast a ballot that actually counts. In doing so, MOVE operates on more than 32 college campuses around the State of Texas, with 14 of those in the San Antonio area, and registers thousands of students to vote every year. MOVE also engages with thousands of potential new voters through its social media platforms, e-mail lists, and through the mail.
6. MOVE engages with voters throughout the State of Texas regularly. In Brazos County, MOVE regularly conducts activities at Texas A&M University, registering hundreds of students to vote. Organizers from MOVE's offices in Houston regularly travel to Brazos County for this work and are certified Volunteer Deputy Registrars in Brazos County. Additionally, MOVE works with students at college campuses all across Texas that maintain their primary residence in other areas of the State and intend to maintain those addresses rather than designate their school address as their primary residence. This includes students from McAllen, Texas and Brazos County. MOVE additionally educates young voters all over the state through its social media and digital campaigns.
7. In addition to voter registration activities, MOVE provides voter education related to processes and procedures for voting, including how to vote by mail.
8. Because college students are often absent from their counties of residence while attending school, while on school vacations, or because of summer internships or jobs, MOVE assists students in applying for mail-in ballots when appropriate and follows up with them to ensure they have mailed their ballots in a timely manner.
9. MOVE works with several distinct groups of students in relation to mail-in ballots: (1) eligible students who attend schools outside of Texas and away from their county of residence; (2) eligible students who attend a Texas school outside of their county of

residence; (3) eligible students who attend a Texas school and consider their address at or nearby school as their residence, but are nevertheless away from school during an election for summer work, holidays, or another conflict; and (4) students with disabilities.

10. Depending on the election, MOVE informs voters statewide about their ability to cast a mail-in ballot, explains the rules and deadlines related to mail-in ballots, and encourages voters who are eligible to utilize mail-in ballots if they cannot vote in-person.
11. Because of the COVID-19 Pandemic that has shuttered many college campuses and threatened the safety of in-person voters, MOVE has expanded its voter education and assistance related to mail-in ballots during 2020, including more extensive information sharing and outreach to voters with whom MOVE has interacted in the past, either by registering those voters or other interactions that have allowed MOVE to collect contact information for these voters. In response to this additional outreach, MOVE has also answered many more questions about mail-in ballots, including through social media, and has sent more than 50,000 text messages to eligible voters about their options for mail-in ballot voting, at a cost to MOVE of \$0.06 per text, including any questions received from voters and subsequent responses sent by MOVE.
12. The risk of improper rejection of a student's mail-in ballot frustrates MOVE's mission of expanding voter registration and increasing youth voter turnout. Texas' signature comparison procedure decreases overall confidence in the mail-in ballot process, and elections generally, which directly undermines the efforts MOVE takes to encourage eligible voters to use mail-in ballots and assist said voters with those mail-in ballots, and wastes MOVE's time and resources spent encouraging eligible students to vote by mail.

13. A particular difficulty in MOVE's work, evidenced by thousands upon thousands of 1-on-1 interactions with students, is convincing young people that their vote matters. Overcoming this perception in young people is critical to MOVE achieving its goals of increased voter participation. The risk of an improper rejection or even knowledge of the improper rejection of other voters' ballots undermines this work, reduces confidence in elections, and reinforces some students' perception that their votes do not matter. Such perception makes it difficult for MOVE to register or otherwise encourage participation in elections, and as to a particular voter, can take months or years to reverse in MOVE's efforts to create life-long voters.
14. Based on years of experience and the registering and tracking of voting habits of more than 80,000 new voters registered by MOVE, MOVE estimates that it takes 6 interactions with a new or young voter to turn them out to vote one time. MOVE additionally estimates that a new or young voter must vote in three consecutive elections before they become a regular, or "life-long" voter without the need for further outreach or convincing—(80% of voters that MOVE has tracked who vote in three consecutive elections continue to vote in all or most subsequent elections without additional outreach). If external factors disrupt this streak, MOVE's efforts to create life-long voters usually have to start from scratch.
15. The external factors that can play into a voter's confidence in elections, and whether they achieve a streak of voting in three consecutive elections, often have nothing to do with their own effort, but remain extremely detrimental to MOVE's work to make them a life-long voter. These can include a young or new voter who has their voter registration processed late, who could not wait in excessively long lines, who was turned away from

the polls for lack of ID or because they appeared at the wrong polling place, who could not vote because of work or family obligations, received their ballot by mail too late to submit, or had their ballot—either a mail-in or provisional ballot—rejected by election officials. In MOVE’s experience, when voters encounter these issues, they lose confidence in the electoral process, the fairness of elections, and the importance of their own role in voting, and MOVE must expend significant resources to convince them otherwise through continued contact and education.

16. Additionally, in order to mitigate or preempt the risk of improper rejection of mail-in ballots under the current mail-in ballot process, MOVE diverts resources to further educate and warn mail-in ballot voters about Texas’ strict and arbitrary signature comparison procedure, and how to take steps to try to prevent such a rejection. MOVE specifically trains its organizers to warn voters to sign mail-in ballots as clearly and legibly as possible to avoid improper rejection.
17. Based on thousands of interactions with potential voters, MOVE estimates that during its regular voter registration and education activities (such as tabling or canvassing at a college campus or presenting to a college class) it has between 2-5 minutes to engage a potential new voter and provide relevant information to them. Even the small amount of time needed to explain the risk of signature rejections on mail-in ballots and how to reduce this risk reduces the time that MOVE has to discuss other issues with a voter by as much as 25%.
18. In addition to in-person activities, MOVE sends messages through social media posts and paid texts to make sure that individual voters are following through with their mail-in ballot plans, and specifically warns voters, since the signature comparison procedure is

strict and arbitrary, to sign mail-in ballots as clearly and legibly as possible to avoid improper rejection. The resources diverted for these purposes—staff time in drafting, ad buys on social media, and paid text-messaging services—are transferred away from MOVE's in-person voting and voter registration activities, its other education activities, and its limited mail registration drives.

19. Attached to this declaration as Ex. A are true and correct copies of relevant materials in MOVE's custody that were originally marked and produced during discovery in this case as follows:

- MOVE0000051–53, 575–77 - related to drafting text messages to voters on mail-in ballot requirements, reminding voters of upcoming deadlines, and warning of the arbitrary signature matching process that can result in improper rejection of mail-in ballots;
- MOVE 00000064–66 - e-mail to MOVE listserv containing voting deadlines and voting reminders;
- MOVE 00000530–34 - phone and voicemail scripts for MOVE volunteers to use in running phone bank to remind voters that the election has begun, to register voters, and to remind voters of the availability of mail-in ballots;
- MOVE00000578 – list of past social media posts with active links to facebook advocacy and education on mail-in ballots;
- MOVE00000909-MOVE00000915 – examples of outreach and education efforts related to voting by mail through social media and text message;



- MOVE00000920-MOVE00000922 – Organizational slides explaining MOVE’s mission and areas of priority, including civic education and leadership development.

This Declaration is made pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746. I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on June 20, 2020.



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Hilliard Drew Galloway  
MOVE Texas Civic Fund Executive Director

# Exhibit 50



Charlie Bonner <charlie@movetexas.org>

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## mail in ballot text language updated

8 messages

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**Charlie Bonner** <charlie@movetexas.org>

Thu, Oct 24, 2019 at 10:12 AM

To: Drew Galloway <drew@movetexas.org>, Raven Douglas <raven@movetexas.org>, Alex Birnel <alex@movetexas.org>

Hey! MOVE Texas here. Voting is underway in Texas - will you be a voter? Whether you're out of town for an internship, studying abroad, or are still registered at your home address and not a campus address - you can still make your voice heard. Your local election office needs your application for a mail-in ballot by THIS FRIDAY. If you need an application, click this link: <https://bit.ly/2oUV5qP>

Any questions? Send them our way.  
Thanks for being a voter!

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**Charlie Bonner**

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MOVE Texas Civic Fund & MOVE Texas Action Fund



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🐦: @CharlieKBonner

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**Raven Douglas** <raven@movetexas.org>

Thu, Oct 24, 2019 at 10:13 AM

To: Charlie Bonner <charlie@movetexas.org>

Cc: Drew Galloway <drew@movetexas.org>, Alex Birnel <alex@movetexas.org>

It looks good to me. I'll wait for Drew's confirmation.

Best,  
Raven

**Raven Douglas** (*she/her/hers*)

Deputy Director | MOVE Texas

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**Drew Galloway** <drew@movetexas.org>  
To: Raven Douglas <raven@movetexas.org>  
Cc: Alex Birnel <alex@movetexas.org>, Charlie Bonner <charlie@movetexas.org>

Thu, Oct 24, 2019 at 10:50 AM

Edits below — what do you think about the language here?

Hey! [NAME] from MOVE Texas here. Voting is underway in Texas: Will you be a voter?

Out of town for the election? Whether you're doing an internship in another state, studying abroad, or just registered at your home address and not a campus address, you can still make your voice heard. Your local election office needs your application for a mail-in ballot by TOMORROW. If you need an application, click this link: <https://bit.ly/2oUV5qP>

The application must be signed, so make sure your signature is consistent to ensure your vote is counted.

Any questions? Send them our way.  
Thanks for being a voter!

[Quoted text hidden]

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**H. Drew Galloway**  
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E: drew@movetexas.org  
P: (210) 396-0845  
[Quoted text hidden]

**Alex Birnel** <alex@movetexas.org> Thu, 6  
To: Drew Galloway <drew@movetexas.org>  
Cc: Charlie Bonner <charlie@movetexas.org>, Raven Douglas <raven@movetexas.org>

Thu, Oct 24, 2019 at 10:52 AM

This version is fine with me, but don't we want to include the voter guide??

Alex

[Quoted text hidden]

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**Alex Birnel**  
Advocacy Manager (he/him/his)  
MOVE Texas Action Fund



E: alex@movetexas.org  
P: 210-422-3223  
[Quoted text hidden]

**Drew Galloway** <drew@movetexas.org>

Thu, Oct 24, 2019 at 10:52 AM

To: Alex Birnel <alex@movetexas.org>  
Cc: Charlie Bonner <charlie@movetexas.org>, Raven Douglas <raven@movetexas.org>

No that should be a separate text message  
[Quoted text hidden]

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**Charlie Bonner** <charlie@movetexas.org> Thu, Oct 24, 2019 at 10:59 AM  
To: Drew Galloway <drew@movetexas.org>  
Cc: Alex Birnel <alex@movetexas.org>, Raven Douglas <raven@movetexas.org>

Yeah Drew that works.

-CB

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**Alex Birnel** <alex@movetexas.org> Thu, Oct 24, 2019 at 11:11 AM  
To: Charlie Bonner <charlie@movetexas.org>  
Cc: Drew Galloway <drew@movetexas.org>, Raven Douglas <raven@movetexas.org>

Ok sounds good. With that in mind, are we good to begin?

Alex

On Thu, Oct 24, 2019 at 11:00 AM Charlie Bonner <charlie@movetexas.org> wrote:  
| Yeah Drew that works.

| -CB

| [Quoted text hidden]

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**Drew Galloway** <drew@movetexas.org> Thu, Oct 24, 2019 at 11:12 AM  
To: Alex Birnel <alex@movetexas.org>  
Cc: Charlie Bonner <charlie@movetexas.org>, Raven Douglas <raven@movetexas.org>

Yes, this is approved.

[Quoted text hidden]

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# Exhibit 51





Charlie Bonner <charlie@movetexas.org>

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**Re: ELECTION NOTICE for Shoshana: Voting is underway in Texas**

3 messages

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**Shoshana Katz** <shanapaha@gmail.com>

Wed, Oct 23, 2019 at 5:30 AM

To: charlie@movetexas.org

I vote absentee from Israel. Where is my ballot? Shoshana Katz

P.S. I checked to see that I was registered. I am.

On Mon, Oct 21, 2019 at 10:36 PM Charlie Bonner, MOVE Texas <charlie@movetexas.org> wrote:



Hey Shoshana,

Today is the first day of early voting, and I've got one question for you - Will you be a voter?

Voting starts today, **Monday, October 21st** and goes until **Friday, November 1st**, followed by your last chance to vote on **Election Day, Tuesday, November 5th**.

**Our voices matter.** When young people showed up to vote in 2018, elected officials finally started talking about the issues affecting our generation like student debt, climate change, and voting rights. This is especially true in local and constitutional elections where our voices are too often silenced.

Not sure where you are registered to vote or your nearest polling location? No

problem! You can find the answers to both of those questions right [here](#) by entering your basic info in the “login” section.

**Look over our voter guide to make sure you're vote ready.** Curated by MOVE Texas, this deep cut voter guide is for everyone — dedicated election fans, music lovers, and voters who just decided to get into the local electoral game. There's a lit playlist to follow inside, so make sure you check it out.

## DEEP CUT THE VOTE

Thanks for being a voter!

Cheers,  
Charlie Bonner

Communications Manager, MOVE Texas



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**Charlie Bonner** <[charlie@movetexas.org](mailto:charlie@movetexas.org)>  
To: Shoshana Katz <[shanapaha@gmail.com](mailto:shanapaha@gmail.com)>

Wed, Oct 23, 2019 at 2:10 PM

Hey there,

The deadline to apply for vote by mail is Friday- you can do that [here](https://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/voter/reqabbm.shtml) if you need to  
<https://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/voter/reqabbm.shtml>


hope that helps!

Cheers,  
Charlie

— —



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# Exhibit 52



### General Information - Read before proceeding

- Our ultimate goal here is to turn people out to the polls by providing them with a helpful reminder that the election has begun, the tools and information they need to easily cast their ballot, and creating an overall positive experience with voting.
- The questions highlighted in yellow indicate key pieces of information that a voter will need to know to cast their ballot. Not every conversation will follow the script exactly, but it's crucial to make sure those questions are included somewhere in the conversation so the voter is prepared for the election. Of course, adjust the conversation accordingly to the voter and their particular situation/level of knowledge.
- This is a conversation, not a lecture. Make sure to speak like you are talking to someone in your person. Practice taking small pauses in between to ensure you aren't speaking too fast and overwhelming the person with information.
- Ballot by Mail information [here](#)
- Deadline to apply for a mail-in ballot - close of business on October 26
- Deadline to submit your completed mail-in ballot - postmarked by November 6th, received no later than November 7th
- Necessary Supplies
  - Phone and phone charger
  - Laptop
  - Headphones optional but highly recommended
- Tabs to Have Open when Phone banking
  - It's helpful to have this information at the ready for any questions you might receive
  - Early voting locations and times
  - <https://www.vote411.org/> - easy way to look up your sample ballot
- Election Department Websites
  - [Texas Secretary of State](#)
  - [Travis County](#)
  - [Webb County](#)
  - [Bexar County](#)
  - [Hays County](#)
  - [Seguin](#)

<b>Early Voting</b>	Monday, Oct 22 - Friday, Nov 2nd	Polling hours: Usually between 7 am and 8 pm (varies depending on the
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		county and day of the week)
<b>Election Day</b>	Tuesday, November 6th	7am - 7pm

### 2019 Municipal Runoff Election Early Voting Phone Banking Script

Hello, is (NAME) there?

(Yes/No)

Hi! This is (CALLER NAME) with **MOVE Texas**, we're a **nonpartisan nonprofit** dedicated to **increasing youth civic engagement**. We're calling today because **you filled out one of our pledge to vote cards**, and we're making courtesy calls to let you know that **Election Day will be on Saturday, June 8th**.

#### Do you plan on voting this election?

- **(Yes)**

Great! **This election is very important and your vote can really make a difference.**

- **(No/Maybe)**

That's okay! **Do you mind telling me why you're not planning on voting?**

(Have a productive, *nonpartisan* conversation! Talk to them about the importance of voting and how we can make it easier. Try and help them to vote if they can!)

#### What's your plan for voting?

- You can **Vote at your assigned precinct on Election Day, November 6th.**
- You can look up your registration status on the Secretary of State's Website! Just google: "Texas SOS voter registration verification" It should be the fi

#### Do you know where you can go vote?

- **(Yes)**





Perfect! You can always **check out all the polling locations on the elections department website for your county**. If you'd like, we can **text you a link to our nonpartisan voter guide** that provides information about the candidates as well as when and where to vote.

- **(No)**

If you'd like, we can **text you a link to our nonpartisan voter guide**, it provides information about the candidates as well as when and where to vote.

[Movetexasvotes.org](http://Movetexasvotes.org)

Do you have **any questions for me** or anything I can help you with?

- **(I need more information on [subject])**

"Okay, give me one moment and I'll look that up for you"

(Google the information they need, send them one of the resources MOVE has provided you with, or check with a MOVE team member for the information)

Don't forget to look up your **sample ballot** before you go vote!

- You can go to your county election department website and put in your information to see exactly what races are on your ballot. This is really important for county and municipal elections!

Don't forget to **bring your photo ID to the polls with you!**

- List of Acceptable IDs
  - Texas Driver License issued by the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS)
  - Texas Election Identification Certificate issued by DPS
  - Texas Personal Identification Card issued by DPS
  - Texas Handgun License issued by DPS
  - United States Military Identification Card containing the person's photograph
  - United States Citizenship Certificate containing the person's photograph
  - United States Passport (book or card)



- If you don't have any of these 7 IDs and cannot reasonably obtain one before early voting, you can also bring one of these and sign a Reasonable Impediment Declaration:
  - Copy or original of a government document that shows the voter's name and an address, including the voter's voter registration certificate;
  - Copy of or original current utility bill;
  - Copy of or original bank statement;
  - Copy of or original government check;
  - Copy of or an original paycheck; or
  - Copy of or original of (a) a certified domestic (from a U.S. state or territory) birth certificate or (b) a document confirming birth admissible in a court of law which establishes the voter's identity (which may include a foreign birth document).

- **Relevant Texas Laws**

- Texas Law States your employer must give you two hours to vote on Election Day
- In order to Vote Absentee in Texas you must apply for it, but unfortunately, the deadline has already passed. You will have to vote in person.
- In Texas you must register to vote 30 days before any election.

**Thanks again, see you at the polls!**

**Voicemail Script**

Hi! This is (CALLER NAME) calling from MOVE Texas.

I'm calling to remind you that **Midterm Election Day will be this upcoming Tuesday, November 6th.**

You can **vote at your assigned precinct on Election Day!**

**You can look up a full list of polling locations and times on your county's election department website.**



Don't forget to **take your photo ID to the polls with you!** You can look up a list of acceptable IDs on the Secretary of State website.

**Happy voting!**

**\*\*PRESS #3 IF YOU NEED TO RE-DO YOUR VOICEMAIL!!\*\***

**House District 125 Special Election Run-Off:**

**Election Day: March 12th 2019**

**Candidates: (D) Ray Lopez, (R) Fred Rangel**

**Ray Lopez:**

A former San Antonio City Council member. He has out-raised every other candidate combined and won endorsements from state officials and law-enforcement unions. In addition to his service on council, Lopez has also held a seat on the Northside Independent School District board of trustees and is a retired AT&T executive. Lopez said he wants to emphasize public school finance reform, transportation projects and economic growth.

**Fred Rangel:**

Rangel is a small-business owner and former city council candidate. As the only Republican, Rangel has received endorsements from notable Texas GOP leaders, including Gov. Greg Abbott and Sen. John Cornyn. Rangel said he would tackle school finance reform, property tax reform and economic development if he is elected.

# Exhibit 53



Raven Douglas <raven@movetexas.org>

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## mail in ballot text language updated

8 messages

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**Charlie Bonner** <charlie@movetexas.org>

Thu, Oct 24, 2019 at 10:12 AM

To: Drew Galloway <drew@movetexas.org>, Raven Douglas <raven@movetexas.org>, Alex Birnel <alex@movetexas.org>

Hey! MOVE Texas here. Voting is underway in Texas - will you be a voter? Whether you're out of town for an internship, studying abroad, or are still registered at your home address and not a campus address - you can still make your voice heard. Your local election office needs your application for a mail-in ballot by THIS FRIDAY. If you need an application, click this link: <https://bit.ly/2oUV5qP>

Any questions? Send them our way.  
Thanks for being a voter!

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Thu, Oct 24, 2019 at 10:13 AM

To: Charlie Bonner <charlie@movetexas.org>

Cc: Drew Galloway <drew@movetexas.org>, Alex Birnel <alex@movetexas.org>

It looks good to me. I'll wait for Drew's confirmation.

Best,  
Raven

**Raven Douglas** (*she/her/hers*)

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**Drew Galloway** <drew@movetexas.org>

Thu, Oct 24, 2019 at 10:50 AM

To: Raven Douglas <raven@movetexas.org>

Cc: Alex Birnel <alex@movetexas.org>, Charlie Bonner <charlie@movetexas.org>

Edits below — what do you think about the language here?

APPX-000751

MOVE-00000575

Hey! [NAME] from MOVE Texas here. Voting is underway in Texas: Will you be a voter?

Out of town for the election? Whether you're doing an internship in another state, studying abroad, or just registered at your home address and not a campus address, you can still make your voice heard. Your local election office needs your application for a mail-in ballot by TOMORROW. If you need an application, click this link: <https://bit.ly/2oUV5qP>

The application must be signed, so make sure your signature is consistent to ensure your vote is counted.

Any questions? Send them our way.

Thanks for being a voter!

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**Alex Birnel** <[alex@movetexas.org](mailto:alex@movetexas.org)>

Thu, Oct 24, 2019 at 10:52 AM

To: Drew Galloway <[drew@movetexas.org](mailto:drew@movetexas.org)>

Cc: Charlie Bonner <[charlie@movetexas.org](mailto:charlie@movetexas.org)>, Raven Douglas <[raven@movetexas.org](mailto:raven@movetexas.org)>

This version is fine with me, but don't we want to include the voter guide??

Alex

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**Drew Galloway** <[drew@movetexas.org](mailto:drew@movetexas.org)>

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Cc: Charlie Bonner <[charlie@movetexas.org](mailto:charlie@movetexas.org)>, Raven Douglas <[raven@movetexas.org](mailto:raven@movetexas.org)>

No that should be a separate text message

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**Charlie Bonner** <[charlie@movetexas.org](mailto:charlie@movetexas.org)>

Thu, Oct 24, 2019 at 10:59 AM

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Cc: Alex Birnel <[alex@movetexas.org](mailto:alex@movetexas.org)>, Raven Douglas <[raven@movetexas.org](mailto:raven@movetexas.org)>

Yeah Drew that works.

-CB

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**Alex Birnel** <[alex@movetexas.org](mailto:alex@movetexas.org)>

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Cc: Drew Galloway <[drew@movetexas.org](mailto:drew@movetexas.org)>, Raven Douglas <[raven@movetexas.org](mailto:raven@movetexas.org)>



Ok sounds good. With that in mind, are we good to begin?

Alex

On Thu, Oct 24, 2019 at 11:00 AM Charlie Bonner <charlie@movetexas.org> wrote:

Yeah Drew that works.

-CB

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**Drew Galloway** <drew@movetexas.org>

Thu, Oct 24, 2019 at 11:12 AM

To: Alex Birnel <alex@movetexas.org>

Cc: Charlie Bonner <charlie@movetexas.org>, Raven Douglas <raven@movetexas.org>

Yes, this is approved.

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# Exhibit 54

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April 22:

<https://www.facebook.com/search/posts/?q=mail&epa=FILTERS&filters=eyJycF9hdXRob3liOiJ7XCJucyYw1lXCi6XCJhdXRob3JclixclmFyZ3NcljpcijM5NzEzMDQ2MzczMDU2MFwifSJ9>

June 5:

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May 16:

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May 24: [https://www.facebook.com/search/posts/?](https://www.facebook.com/search/posts/?q=mail&epa=FILTERS&filters=eyJycF9hdXRob3liOiJ7XCJucyYw1lXCi6XCJhdXRob3JclixclmFyZ3NcljpcijM5NzEzMDQ2MzczMDU2MFwifSJ9)

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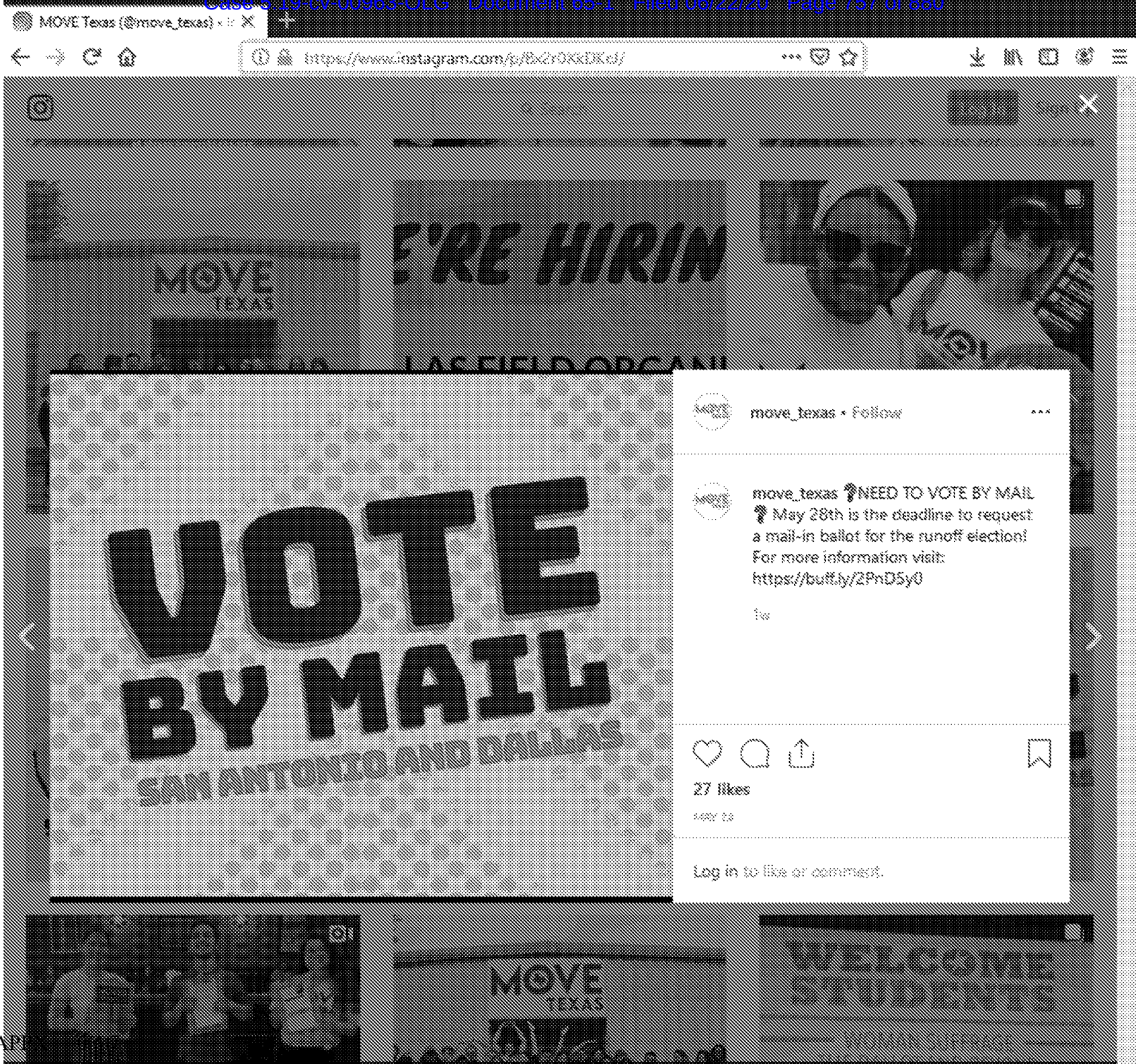
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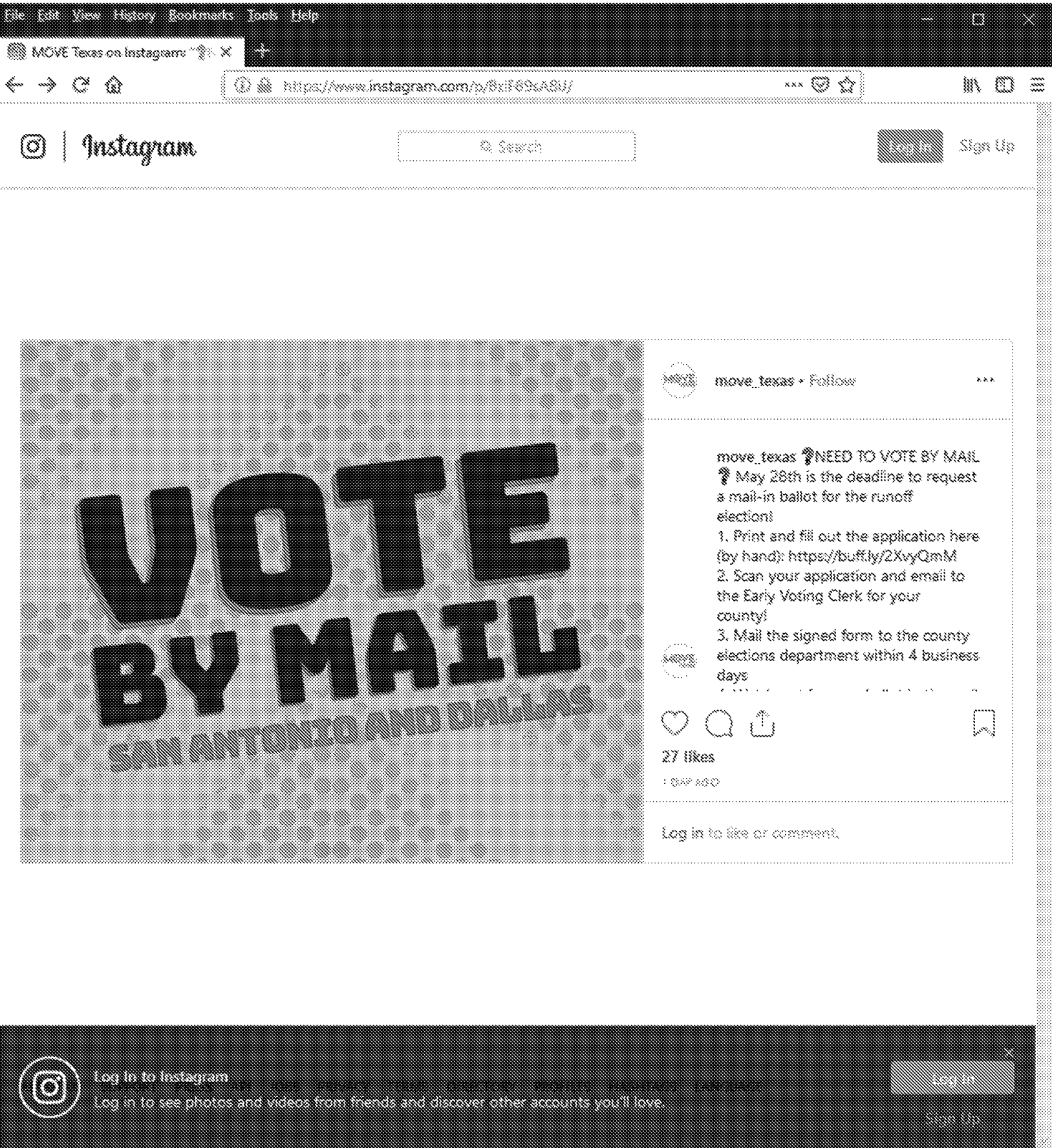
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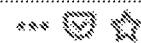
April 22: [https://twitter.com/MOVE\\_texas/status/1120346367547858944](https://twitter.com/MOVE_texas/status/1120346367547858944)

# Exhibit 55









MOVE Texas

May 24 at 10:55 AM · 🌐

🔗 NEED TO VOTE BY MAIL 🔗 May 28th is the deadline to request a mail-in ballot for the runoff election! Here's how you can make sure your vote is counted:

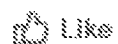
1. Print and fill out the application here: <https://buff.ly/2XvyQmM>
  2. Scan application and email to the Early Voting Clerk for your county
  3. Mail the signed form to the county elections dept within 4 business days
- ... See More

**VOTE  
BY MAIL**  
SAN ANTONIO AND DALLAS



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**MOVE Texas**

Yesterday at 11:00 AM · 🌐

🔔 **NEED TO VOTE BY MAIL** 🔔 May 26th is the deadline to request a mail-in ballot for the runoff election!

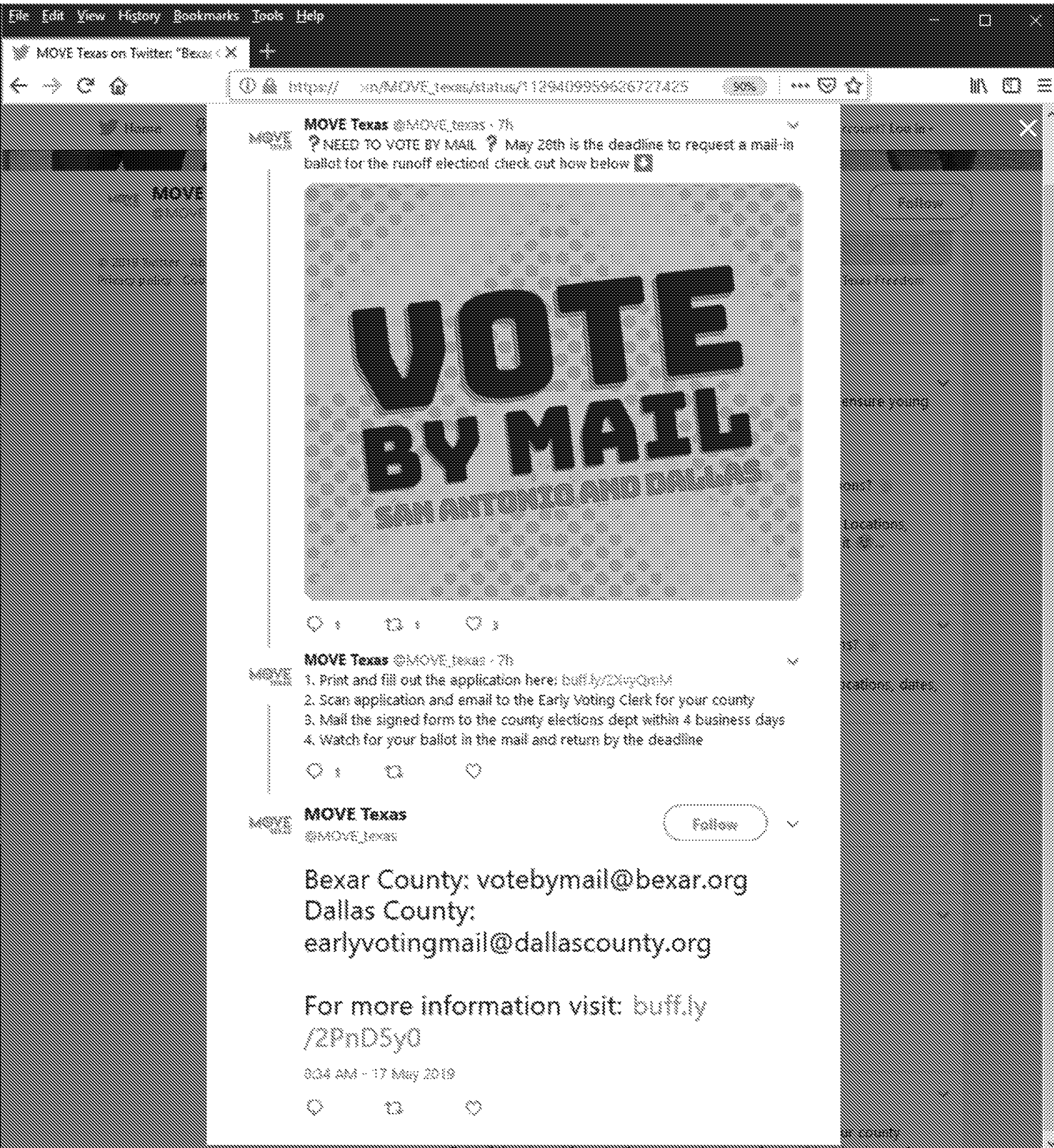
1. Print and fill out the application here (by hand): <https://buff.ly/2XvyQmM>
2. Scan your application and email to the Early Voting Clerk for your county
3. Mail the signed form to the county elections department within 4 business days
4. Watch out for your ballot in the mail and return it by the deadline!

Bexar County: [votebymail@bexar.org](mailto:votebymail@bexar.org)Dallas County: [earlyvotingmail@dallascounty.org](mailto:earlyvotingmail@dallascounty.org)For more information visit: <https://buff.ly/2PnD5y0>

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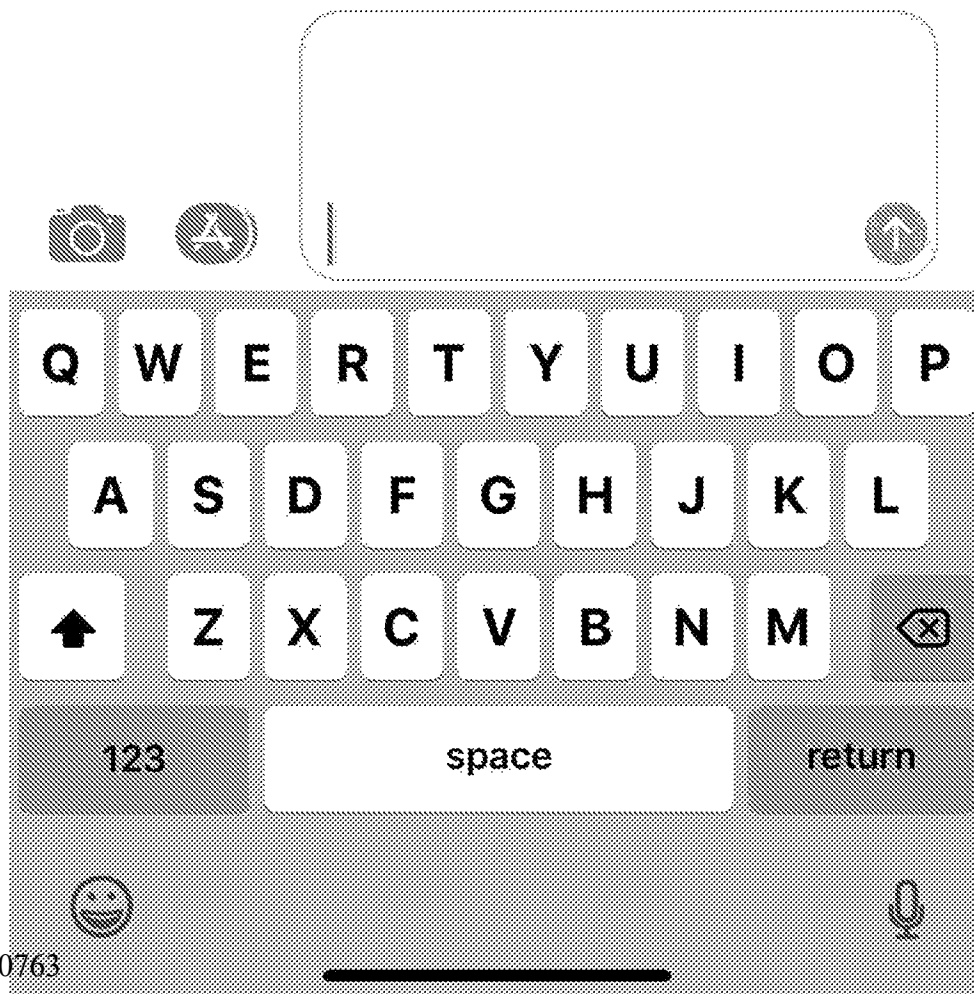
# Exhibit 56





Wed, May 22, 9:39 AM

Hi! This is MOVE Texas with your first reminder to vote in the June 8th San Antonio municipal \*runoff\* election. If you are going to be out of town, you will have to apply for an absentee ballot by May 28th. The application is on the following link: <https://webservices.sos.state.tx.us/forms/5-15f.pdf>



# Exhibit 57



ELECTION REMINDER:  
**MAIL IN  
BALLOT**  
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# Exhibit 58

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# Exhibit 59

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
SAN ANTONIO DIVISION

DR. GEORGE RICHARDSON, \*  
ROSALIE WEISFELD, AUSTIN \*  
JUSTICE COALITION, \*  
COALITION OF TEXANS WITH \*  
DISABILITIES, MOVE TEXAS \*  
CIVIC FUND, LEAGUE OF \*  
WOMEN VOTERS OF TEXAS, \*  
and AMERICAN GI FORUM OF \*  
TEXAS, INC., \*

Plaintiffs, \*

VS. \*

CIVIL ACTION NUMBER  
5:19-cv-0963

TEXAS SECRETARY OF \*  
STATE, TRUDY HANCOCK, IN \*  
HER OFFICIAL CAPACITY AS \*  
BRAZOS COUNTY ELECTIONS \*  
ADMINISTRATOR, AND PERLA \*  
LARA IN HER OFFICIAL \*  
CAPACITY AS CITY OF \*  
McALLEN, TEXAS \*  
SECRETARY, \*

Defendants. \*

Remote Oral Deposition of

League of Women Voters of Texas,

By and through their Designated Representative,

GRACE CHIMENE

May 18, 2020

10:08 a.m.

Reported by:

Micheal A. Johnson, RDR, CRR

1           REMOTE ORAL DEPOSITION OF LEAGUE OF WOMEN  
2 VOTERS OF TEXAS, BY AND THROUGH THEIR DESIGNATED  
3 REPRESENTATIVE, GRACE CHIMENE, produced at the  
4 instance of the Defendant, Texas Secretary of State,  
5 in the above-styled and numbered cause on the  
6 18th day of May, 2020, at 10:08 a.m., before Micheal  
7 A. Johnson, RDR, CRR, Notary Public in and for the  
8 State of Texas, reported by realtime stenographic  
9 means, at the location of the witness, Austin,  
10 Texas, pursuant to Notice of Oral Deposition, and in  
11 accordance with the Federal Rules of Civil  
12 Procedure.

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PROCEEDINGS

GRACE CHIMENE,

called as a witness, having been duly sworn by a  
Notary Public, was examined and testified as  
follows:

EXAMINATION

BY MS. MACKIN:

Q. Good morning, my name is Anna Mackin.  
I'm an attorney with the Texas Office of the  
Attorney General and I represent the defendant, the  
Texas Secretary of State, in this lawsuit. I'm  
going to be taking your deposition today.

Would you please speak and spell your  
name for the record.

A. Grace Chimene, G-r-a-c-e C-h-i-m-e-n-e.

Q. And, Ms. Chimene, I understand that you  
have been deposed before; is that correct?

A. Yes.

Q. How many times?

A. Once.

Q. And was it also a virtual deposition,  
just like this one today?

A. Yes, it was. Yes. But I had an office  
and now I don't have an office.

Q. Well, thank you for your time today.



1 and we try to give kudos to all the different size  
2 counties, depending on how well they're doing.

3 Q. All right. So now I'm just going to  
4 track along the topics in the deposition notice. I  
5 don't need you to pull it back up.

6 A. Okay.

7 Q. I'm just letting you know what I'm doing.  
8 So how would you describe the mission of  
9 the League of Women Voters of Texas?

10 A. The mission of the league is empowering  
11 voters and defending democracy. I'm very happy that  
12 now it's a four-word mission. Before it was longer  
13 and I couldn't memorize it. So to me those words  
14 are perfect for what we're trying to do and what  
15 we've been trying to do over the years. So I really  
16 love our mission. It's hard for me to say  
17 defending -- empowering voters and defending  
18 democracy without also saying yay at the end.

19 Q. And you mentioned it used to be a longer  
20 mission statement. I can tell you that you were --  
21 that was way too long for your taste. When did the  
22 mission statement -- the current mission  
23 statement --

24 A. I think maybe four years ago. Maybe  
25 four years ago.

1 Q. And who developed it?

2 A. The LWVUS.

3 Q. Okay. So you mentioned that the mission  
4 statement changed. Would you say that the  
5 mission -- the actual mission of the League of Women  
6 Voters of Texas has changed over time?

7 A. No, I don't think so. Not since I've  
8 been in it.

9 Q. And this actually pivots nicely into the  
10 next thing I want to talk about. You mentioned  
11 League of Women Voters US.

12 A. Uh-huh.

13 Q. What is that?

14 A. The League of Women Voters is a  
15 three-tiered organization. When you join the League  
16 of Women Voters as a member, you normally join as  
17 a -- into your local league, so the league that  
18 serves your community, because that's where your  
19 local activities are done. When you join your local  
20 league, you also are joining as a member of the  
21 state league and the US league. So we're all one  
22 organization. We speak with one voice and it is --  
23 but it is serving -- the local leagues serve the  
24 populations of the community, the state league  
25 serves the whole state and the US league serves all

1 as they existed in 2016-2018.

2 A. So at that time, the education fund did  
3 the Voters Guide -- my understanding did the Voters  
4 Guide and voter education, things like that.

5 Q. And what type of voter education  
6 activities did the League of Women Voters of Texas  
7 Education Fund engage in for 2016-2018?

8 A. I think there's a page that describes it  
9 all, but I would presume to say that it says the  
10 Voters Guide, the voter education, such as social  
11 media, things we put -- you know, bookmarks,  
12 trending thing, videos, anything that we created  
13 about voter education. If we did -- I don't know if  
14 we did one or not that year, but a forum, any forums  
15 or KiNet forums that had gone on would have gone on  
16 through that thing too, that business organization.

17 Q. And what would you educate voters about?

18 A. So we -- I've got to move these out of  
19 the way. I can't talk to you without seeing your  
20 face. Okay.

21 So what we educate voters about is when  
22 there's elections, when the important dates for the  
23 election are. We educate voters on how to register  
24 to vote. We educate voters on how to vote by mail.  
25 We educate voters on early voting, on early voting

1 dates. We educate voters on -- oh, what's that  
2 called? On the Voters Guide, where we provide  
3 voters with -- where we ask candidates questions who  
4 are running for office and those answers are put  
5 into something called a Voters Guide, where the  
6 voters can go and compare candidates and find  
7 candidate information so they can make an informed  
8 choice about who they're voting for.

9 Q. And I know that we're looking at a  
10 document that's specific to 2016-2018, but --

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. -- would your answer be the same if I  
13 asked you about 2018 to the present?

14 A. No. It would be slightly different  
15 because we went through a change in organization in  
16 the 2018 convention.

17 Q. Okay. How -- and after the change in  
18 organization, how did the league's voter education  
19 activities change?

20 A. The voter education activities did not  
21 change. What was improved was that our budget was  
22 each year, because we had -- we were doing most of  
23 our work through our 501(c)(3), which at that point  
24 became, with the members voting on it, the League of  
25 Women Voters of Texas. So we were able to do all of

1 our work under the 501(c)(3) League of Women Voters  
2 of Texas.

3 Q. I want to drill down a little on  
4 something you mentioned about educating voters about  
5 voter registration. Does that mean that the league  
6 is actively trying to register folks or is it more  
7 of just a here's the education, here's the  
8 information, now go out and register?

9 A. We have -- we provide the information in  
10 many, many different formats. We also are actively  
11 registering voters in person because Texas has the,  
12 you know, archaic voter registration method. And so  
13 that our members are very enthusiastic about  
14 registering the voters in their community, so that  
15 is one of our main activities that we do.

16 Q. Is that done -- the actual voter  
17 registration, is that done by the local leagues or  
18 is that done by the League of Women Voters of Texas?

19 A. The members of the local leagues who are  
20 also members of the League of Women Voters of Texas,  
21 and US, they are registering voters in their local  
22 community. Yeah. The board of Texas is just the  
23 board. All of the members are our members who are  
24 all across Texas.

25 Q. And does the League of Women Voters of

1 Texas provide funding to those voter registration  
2 activities?

3 A. Well, we provide some funding. We also  
4 provide resources. We provide handouts that we  
5 create at the state level and we provide those for  
6 the local communities to use, to not just leagues  
7 but other partnering organizations or anybody can  
8 actually download those and share them with whoever  
9 they want. We have a lot of resources we provide  
10 that include voter registration information.

11 Q. And so I want to separate that out in  
12 terms of you mentioned some funding and then you  
13 also mentioned resources. And when we're talking  
14 about resources, I'm kind of envisioning that as  
15 like PowerPoints, videos, like walking scripts, like  
16 materials that get created at the state level. Is  
17 that a fair understanding?

18 A. Almost.

19 Q. Okay.

20 A. My understanding would be that we are a  
21 all-volunteer organization. We have one and a half  
22 staff. I consider the resources of all those  
23 volunteers to include -- to include the time and  
24 energy and efforts of all those volunteers who are  
25 actually registering or those volunteers who created



1 those documents and created the videos and created  
2 the PowerPoints and did all that effort. To me,  
3 that is one of the biggest resources we have is the  
4 volunteers who work for our organization who don't  
5 work. They volunteer for our organization.

6 Q. And so I just want to make sure I  
7 understand about -- does the League of Women Voters  
8 of Texas provide money to support voter registration  
9 efforts?

10 A. We provide -- so we provide money for all  
11 the efforts that local -- we do provide some money  
12 that local could use for voter registration.

13 Q. Okay.

14 A. Yes, we do.

15 Q. Do you provide anything that you say, you  
16 have to use this for voter registration?

17 A. The League of Women Voters of Texas does  
18 not provide anything that says they have to use it  
19 for voter registration, that I know of.

20 Q. It's more of just locally use it for what  
21 you need it for, basically?

22 A. We have -- voter registration is such an  
23 integral part of what we do. It is -- it would be a  
24 part of the Voters Guide, which we provide or pay  
25 for for the leagues to use. And it's a part of

1 VOTE411, which is also a way that voters can get  
2 to -- information on registering. It is a part of  
3 our website. It is integral to what we do at the  
4 league. So I wouldn't say that we provide resources  
5 and money, but it's not like in a little pot that  
6 says, just use this for voter registration. It is  
7 in everything that we do.

8 Q. Fair enough. I want to also talk about  
9 those state-level resources that you mentioned that  
10 League of Women Voters of Texas creates and shares  
11 with the local leagues. I know you've listed some  
12 examples, but can I get you to kind of maybe refresh  
13 me on it because I wasn't writing them down. You  
14 mentioned the Voters Guide?

15 A. The Voters Guide, yeah. We have  
16 PowerPoints. We have bookmarks. We have brochures.  
17 We have handouts. We have YouTubes, videos,  
18 websites, web pages, graphics and we have people who  
19 support all the voter registration activities, and I  
20 consider them a resource.

21 Q. Absolutely. Anything else you can think  
22 of?

23 A. About -- ask the question again. I can't  
24 remember.

25 Q. Sure. Resources that the League of Women

1 Voters of Texas has available for local leagues.

2 A. We have a section on our website called  
3 Get Out the Vote that has research-based best  
4 practices that we also create. I'm trying to think  
5 if there's anything else. I'm sure there's many  
6 more things. I just cant recall them right now.

7 Q. Okay. And I think, based on the  
8 conversation we just had, I might be about to ask a  
9 question that you can't, like, precisely answer the  
10 way I'm asking it, which is fine. So just let me  
11 know that, if that's the case. I'm not trying to  
12 suggest that your budget should look any different  
13 than it does, but I just want to kind of be clear  
14 about what the document shows. If we can go back  
15 to, let's see, the budget for 2016-2018, which  
16 begins on page 19 of the 2016 convention workbook.

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. Which is marked League of Women Voters 20  
19 and ends on page 21 of the convention workbook,  
20 which is marked League of Women Voters 22. And I'm  
21 going to make those three pages an exhibit -- let's  
22 see. That will be Exhibit 4 to this deposition.

23 (Deposition Exhibit 4 marked for  
24 identification.)

25

1 Voters of Texas Education Fund and I would say it  
2 would be Mission Projects, is probably one of the  
3 areas. I would say the -- it's a part of everything  
4 we do, so probably part of the social media is about  
5 that. Probably some of the staff expense because  
6 they have to write the newsletters. Probably some  
7 of the -- you know, the software or whatever that we  
8 use to send out newsletters and that's what I would  
9 think, yes. So it's mixed up all over in everything  
10 we do.

11 Q. So thank you for -- thank you. So you  
12 can't identify like a specific dollar amount,  
13 though?

14 A. I cannot.

15 Q. Is it possible to identify which of these  
16 resources were dedicated to educating voters about  
17 voting by mail?

18 A. I would -- I would -- it would be very  
19 similar, in that it would be mixed up in everything  
20 we do because it would be a part of our mission, it  
21 would be a part of marketing social media, it would  
22 be a part of staff expenses because -- and that  
23 would be it, I think. So it's -- again, it's mixed  
24 up.

25 Q. Fair enough. All right. I would like to

1 (Deposition Exhibit 7 marked for  
2 identification.)

3 BY MS. MACKIN:

4 Q. And I have another document to share with  
5 you.

6 A. Okay. I'm going to turn this off.

7 Q. Thank you. All right. I'm sharing a  
8 document that begins on League of Women Voters 272.  
9 Please let me know when you're able to open up that  
10 document.

11 A. I have the document open.

12 Q. Do you recognize this document?

13 A. Yes.

14 Q. And what is it?

15 A. It is a PowerPoint called Get in the  
16 Game, along with the instructions for using it.

17 Q. And what is this PowerPoint used for?

18 A. This PowerPoint is used to educate mostly  
19 league, but it could be used to educate other  
20 members of the community or organizations.

21 Q. And what is it used to educate about?

22 A. This one is about voting and elections in  
23 Texas.

24 Q. Do you know who developed this  
25 PowerPoint?

1           A.       This develop -- this was probably -- let  
2 me look at the bottom. No, it doesn't say. To me  
3 this looks like it was developed by -- at least  
4 partially by Liz Erkel who developed all our Get Out  
5 the Vote educational materials.

6           Q.       Do you know when this PowerPoint was  
7 developed?

8           A.       Probably -- I would presume that it was  
9 after the 2016 convention, but I don't know exactly  
10 when that was developed and when it was updated, but  
11 that's when we had -- we funded the Get Out the Vote  
12 program that was created.

13          Q.       You mentioned something about this  
14 PowerPoint being updated at some point?

15          A.       I would presume, and I'm just guessing,  
16 that as election code changes, that the PowerPoint  
17 in the Get Out the Vote section of the web page are  
18 updated. Let me see. Sometimes they say it in here  
19 somewhere. No. I can see that it has some  
20 information from 2018 midterm elections, so I would  
21 presume at some point it was updated.

22          Q.       Do you know how long it takes to present  
23 this PowerPoint?

24          A.       No, I have not presented the PowerPoint.

25          Q.       And I know that you mentioned Liz Erkel



1 likely developed it.

2 A. Uh-huh.

3 Q. Do you know if Ms. Erkel always presents  
4 this training or do other --

5 A. No, she doesn't present the training.  
6 She may present it in her league, but it is  
7 available for any league or organization to use it,  
8 download it and use it from our website.

9 Q. Has the League of Women Voters of Texas  
10 ever gotten any follow-up questions about this  
11 training from someone who received it?

12 MS. SURIANI: Objection, form.

13 A. In general, we get --

14 MS. SURIANI: Objection to form.

15 But you can answer if you understand,  
16 Grace.

17 A. I was going to answer in general, that in  
18 general we get a lot of, wow, we can't believe what  
19 a great job you are doing and how much leagues and  
20 other organizations appreciate this material.

21 BY MS. MACKIN:

22 Q. I have another -- let's see. If I have  
23 not yet made this an exhibit, I will mark it  
24 exhibit -- I think we're on 8.

25

1 number 051. Now I have to look for the number.

2 MS. SURIANI: And I think that's  
3 Exhibit 5.

4 A. Did I get the wrong one? Page number --  
5 my page No. 28. Let me see what the other type of  
6 page is. So Bates number 79 and 80.

7 BY MS. MACKIN:

8 Q. Okay.

9 A. You previously asked me about the Get Out  
10 the Vote budget.

11 Q. Yes.

12 A. And you can ask me again so I know what  
13 the question was. I put it back on you.

14 Q. I believe that the question was how much  
15 did the League of Women Voters of Texas spend on its  
16 Get Out the Vote campaign?

17 A. So we spent exactly what we brought in  
18 donated by our members at convention, which was  
19 \$8,000.

20 Q. And do you know how much of that was  
21 dedicated to preparing the two PowerPoints we looked  
22 at in Exhibits 8 and 9?

23 A. No, I don't know.

24 Q. Does the League of Women Voters of Texas  
25 plan to continue making educational materials

1 available on its website?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. Including those about voting by mail?

4 A. Yes.

5 Q. For how long?

6 A. As long as people are allowed to vote by  
7 mail.

8 Q. What would -- well, focusing in on the  
9 issue of mismatched signatures, are you aware of any  
10 individual voter that the League of Women Voters of  
11 Texas has assisted in -- well, let me ask that  
12 differently.

13 Has the League of Women Voters of Texas  
14 ever assisted any individual voter after their  
15 mail-in ballot was rejected for signature mismatch?

16 MS. SURIANI: I'm going to object to  
17 form.

18 Grace, if you understand, you can  
19 answer.

20 A. The League of Women Voters -- the League  
21 of Women Voters of Texas is a part of the Election  
22 Protection Coalition. The Election Protection  
23 Coalition provides a phone number and a service  
24 where voters can call in when they have an issue. I  
25 would presume that any issues that came up would go

1 specifically for providing training to leagues and  
2 partnering organizations and communities, whoever  
3 wants to. It's available on our website. It's for  
4 training material. We do -- ask the question one  
5 more time.

6 Q. Sure. Let me -- and I'll ask it a  
7 different way. So you've testified previously that  
8 your Get Out the Vote work and your mail-in ballot  
9 work specifically touches on multiple areas of your  
10 budget; is that right?

11 A. Right.

12 Q. And so it's not just -- your vote -- let  
13 me rephrase.

14 Your mail-in ballot-related work is not  
15 only confined to this Get Out the Vote project?

16 A. Absolutely. We have mail-in ballot  
17 information on our website, we have vote by mail  
18 information on social media, we have vote by mail  
19 information on our -- on YouTube and on Facebook  
20 media and on Instagram and on Twitter, and we create  
21 that information and it changes over time and we  
22 create it and try to make it -- keep it fresh for  
23 each election. And so it is very time-consuming and  
24 an important part of our work that we do.

25 Q. Okay. Great. Thanks, Grace. And the

1 you send that response?

2 A. That response is an automatic response.

3 Q. I see. So I didn't see that response on  
4 the previous document. Do you know why it's  
5 included on this one and not on the previous one?

6 A. I don't know.

7 Q. And do you know if Ms. Motard has ever  
8 had a ballot by mail rejected for signature  
9 mismatch?

10 A. No.

11 Q. Of the education that the League of Women  
12 Voters of Texas provides, do you provide any  
13 educational materials about signature comparison or  
14 document examination?

15 MS. SURIANI: Objection to form.

16 You can answer if you understand,  
17 Grace.

18 A. Say it again.

19 BY MS. MACKIN:

20 Q. Sure. Does the League of Women Voters of  
21 Texas provide any voter education materials about  
22 signature comparison for mail-in ballots?

23 A. Signature comparison. We provide voter  
24 education on our website, on the web page called  
25 Vote By Mail. On tips, it tells people -- voters

1 who go there or when we share it, it tells them to  
2 make sure they use the same signature. That  
3 information is also provided in a recent YouTube  
4 about vote by mail.

5 Q. And what's the date on the recent YouTube  
6 video you referenced?

7 A. It would be within the last month. So  
8 it's voter education because of the huge concern  
9 with more voters wanting to vote by mail because of  
10 their concern about catching COVID.

11 Q. So to the extent that you have voter  
12 education materials that relate to signature  
13 comparison, those would have been provided to us in  
14 discovery in this lawsuit, right?

15 A. You mean is there something else out  
16 there that I don't know about?

17 Q. Well, I mean is there something else out  
18 there that hasn't been provided?

19 A. The page and the new video, which came  
20 out sometime, would -- about -- specifically about  
21 signatures, is that what you're talking about?  
22 Would be the ones that have -- I don't know if you  
23 have those or not because we didn't talk about them.  
24 And I don't know if they were in the hundred billion  
25 page long list of documents. Sorry.



REPORTER'S CERTIFICATION

I, Micheal A. Johnson, Registered Diplomate Reporter, Certified Realtime Reporter and Notary Public in and for the State of Texas, certify that on the 18th day of May, 2020, I reported the Remote Oral Deposition of GRACE CHIMENE, after the witness had first been duly cautioned and sworn to testify under oath; said deposition was subsequently transcribed by me and under my supervision and contains a full, true and complete transcription of the proceedings had at said time and place; and that reading and signing was requested.

I further certify that I am neither counsel for nor related to any party in this cause and am not financially interested in its outcome.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL of office on this 29th day of May, 2020.



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State of Texas  
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# Exhibit 60

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
SAN ANTONIO DIVISION

DR. GEORGE RICHARDSON, ROSALIE §  
WEISFELD, AUSTIN JUSTICE §  
COALITION, COALITION OF TEXANS §  
WITH DISABILITIES, MOVE TEXAS §  
CIVIC FUND, LEAGUE OF WOMEN §  
VOTERS OF TEXAS, and AMERICAN GI §  
FORUM OF TEXAS, INC., §

*Plaintiffs* §

v. §

Civil Case No. 5:19-cv-00963-OG

TEXAS SECRETARY OF STATE, TRUDY §  
HANCOCK, in her official capacity as §  
BRAZOS COUNTY ELECTIONS §  
ADMINISTRATOR, and PERLA LARA in §  
her official capacity as CITY OF §  
MCALLEN, TEXAS SECRETARY, §

*Defendants.* §

**DECLARATION OF GRACE CHIMENE**

My name is Grace Chimene. I am over the age of 18 and capable of making this declaration. The facts stated herein are within my personal knowledge.

1. I am the President of the League of Women Voters of Texas (“LWVTX”).
2. LWVTX is a non-profit organization with its main offices in Austin, Texas.
3. LWVTX is a non-partisan organization whose mission includes empowering voters, defending democracy and envisioning a democracy where every person has the desire, the right, the knowledge, and the confidence to participate.
4. LWVTX has 33 chapters covering 39 Texas counties, with approximately 3,000 individual members all across the state.
5. LWVTX is a volunteer-based organization.

6. LWVTX offers a variety of programs to its members and to the public on a wide range of issues including, but not limited to: education, voting rights, the environment, campaign financing, health care, and electoral redistricting. The local chapters of LWVTX host candidate forums for the public to learn about candidates running for local, state, and national offices. Every major election, LWVTX produces voter guides to inform voters about candidates and ballot measures.
7. As part of our efforts to increase civic engagement, LWVTX commits ample member time and resources to conducting voter registration drives and voter education trainings across Texas that reach thousands of Texans each year. To meet our objective to increase voter participation, LWVTX engages in and promotes voter registration, voter engagement, voter education, get-out-the-vote, and election protection efforts across Texas.
8. In service of these efforts, LWVTX undertakes a number of activities related to voting by mail, including organizing and running voter registration drives; designing and executing public information campaigns about how to vote by mail; creating brochures about voter registration and early voting; encouraging eligible voters to use mail-in ballots; and educating voters about how to comply with Texas election laws governing early voting and voting by mail.
9. LWVTX, its chapters, and members must spend time educating voters on how to sign their vote by mail application and ballot to avoid the rejection of their mail-in ballot. If LWVTX did not have to spend time educating these individuals on the risk of their ballot being rejected as a result of the signature verification process, it

would be able to spend that time registering more voters and engaging in its other core activities.

10. LWVTX and its local chapters provide public trainings which include informing voters of their ability to cast a mail-in ballot, explaining the rules and deadlines of voting by mail, instructing voters how to sign their mail-in voting applications and ballots by mail, and cautioning voters on the risks of disenfranchisement while voting by mail.

11. LWVTX engages in get-out-the-vote efforts leading up to and during elections.

These efforts include providing voter information at public forums and in public locations as well as communications efforts across multiple platforms. LWVTX produces videos about upcoming elections and how to vote in them, including how to vote by mail. LWVTX's get-out-the-vote efforts are undermined when individuals that we have engaged with—either in person or through media—vote by mail and have their ballot rejected due to a perceived mismatch in their signatures. Any Texas voter who is disenfranchised by the mail-in ballot process impairs our ability to increase voter participation through our get-out-the-vote efforts and other initiatives.

12. LWVTX has approximately 3,000 members statewide, many of whom vote by mail.

13. LWVTX has hundreds of members who have voted by mail in the past, including LWVTX member Mary Claire Rowe.

14. Hundreds of LWVTX members plan to vote by mail in the future, including LWVTX members Virginia Marsh, Cathy Murphree, Jean Richards, Mitzi Michelle Rusk, Dennis Wills, Marilyn Wills.
15. LWVTX has experienced a significant uptick in traffic on its vote by mail website in recent months. LWVTX expects that, due to the ongoing COVID-19 emergency, more LWVTX members than ever will seek to vote by mail in the 2020 General Election.
16. LWVTX's mission is "Empowering Voters. Defending Democracy." It is critical to our mission that the process of voting by mail is as safe and secure as possible, and that every vote cast by a Texas voter is counted. The disenfranchisement of any Texas voter impairs our ability to achieve this mission.
17. LWVTX is a volunteer-based group with extremely limited resources. Any time and funds that are spent counteracting voters' risk of disenfranchisement as a result of Texas' signature mismatch laws are resources that would otherwise go towards accomplishing our primary mission. This will detract from our normal voter registration, voter education, get-out-the-vote, and election protection efforts surrounding local, state, and federal elections across Texas.
18. Given the ongoing COVID-19 emergency, resources devoted to our vote by mail work are more precious than ever. The drain on our resources away from these efforts is particularly costly in the crucial period leading up to an election—including the upcoming 2020 General Election—when these efforts are most useful to the communities we serve.



19. Attached hereto are true and correct copies of documents produced to Defendants in the course of discovery, as follows:

- a. Get in the Game Voter Education Training PowerPoint – Bates LWV-00000272 – LWV-00000295
- b. Vote By Mail Step By Step Voter Education Training PowerPoint – Bates LWV-00000344 – LWV-00000367
- c. Screen capture of LWVTX's "Vote by Mail" webpage – Bates LWV-00000688 – LWV-00000692
- d. Screen capture of LWVTX's YouTube video "Vote By Mail in the Nov 7, 2017 Election" – Bates LWV-00000693 – LWV-00000693
- e. Emails from LWVTX Members to Grace Chimene I – Bates LWV-00000696 – LWV-00000699
- f. Screen capture of LWVTX's YouTube video "Vote by Mail – Texas Style" – Bates LWV-00000710 – LWV-00000710
- g. Emails from LWVTX Members to Grace Chimene II – Bates LWV-00000717 – LWV-00000718
- h. Survey of LVWTX members regarding vote by mail – Bates LWV-00000722 – LWV-00000722

This Declaration is made pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1745. I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on June 21, 2020.



Grace Chimene

# Exhibit 61

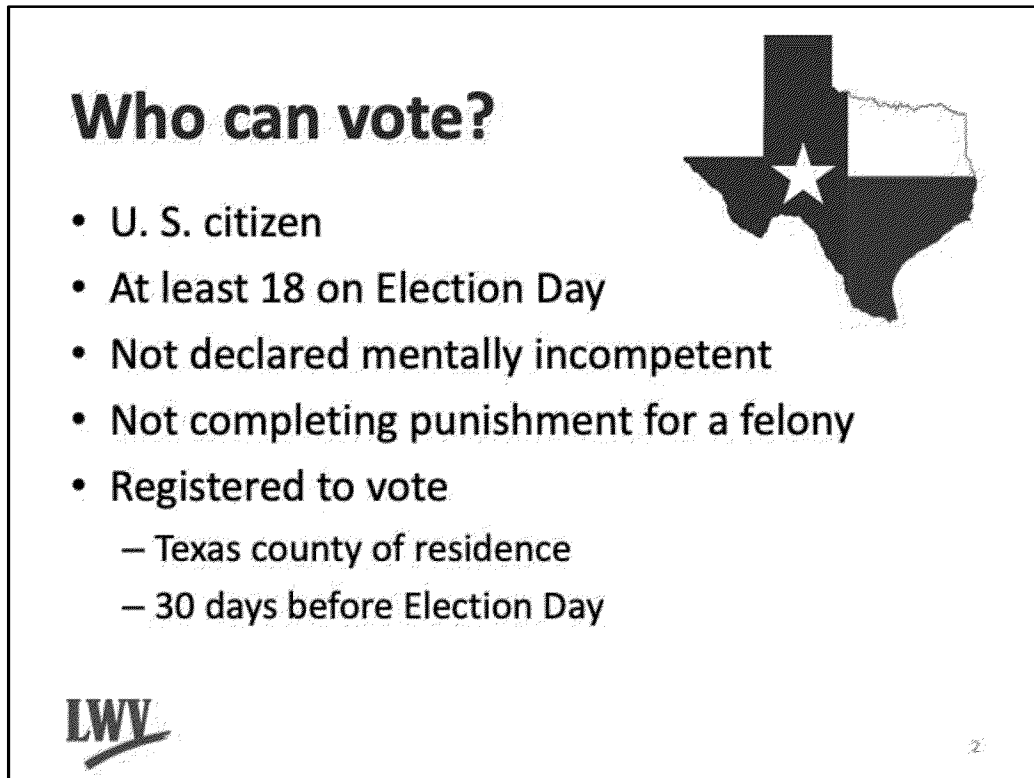


- Hello. I am NAME, representing \_\_\_\_\_. Thank you for inviting me to talk about the League of Women Voters favorite topic—voting!
- Our goal is to empower citizens to shape better communities.
- As a nonpartisan organization, the League never endorses or opposes candidates or political parties. But we do advocate for positions on issues that our members have studied and agreed upon.
- We're not here to tell you who or what to voter for, but to encourage you to get in the game and make your own political decisions – don't let others make those important decisions for you.

**Sources**

<https://my.lwv.org/texas/about-league-women-voters-texas>

Artwork by Leticia Plate at <http://govote.org>



Texas college students can vote as long as they are:

- A U.S. citizen
- 18 on Election Day
- Mentally competent
- Not serving a sentence for a felony
- Registered to vote 30 days ahead of time

**Sources**

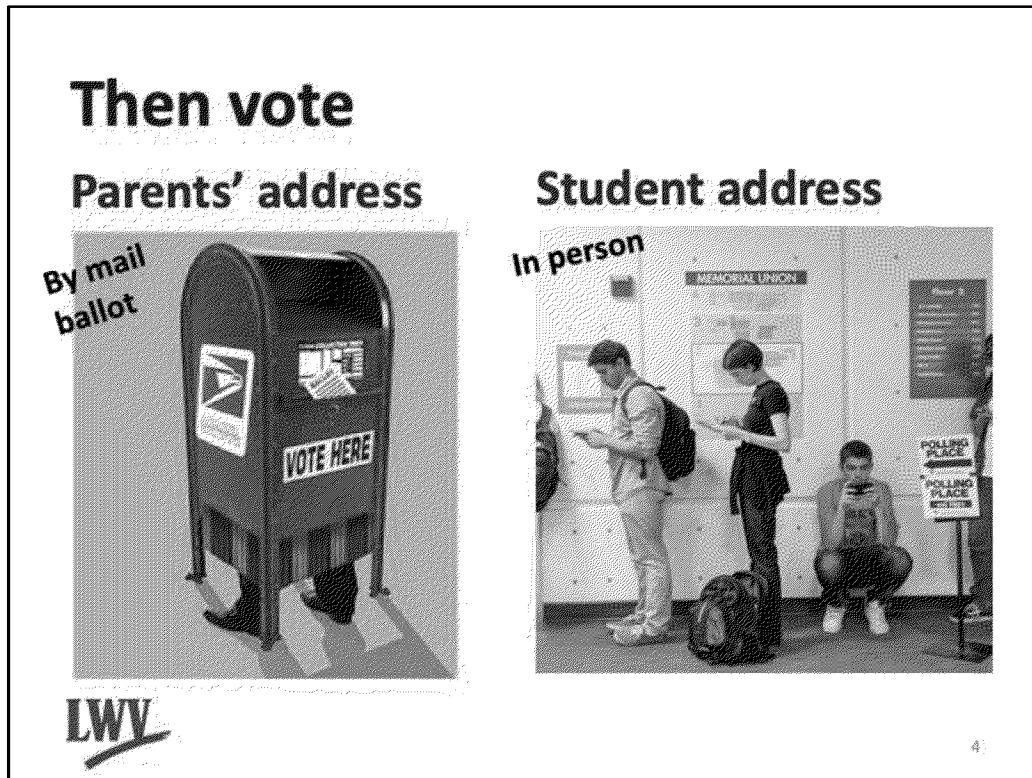
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If attending college in Texas, you can register to vote either by using your parents' home address or your college address, depending on where and how you want to vote.

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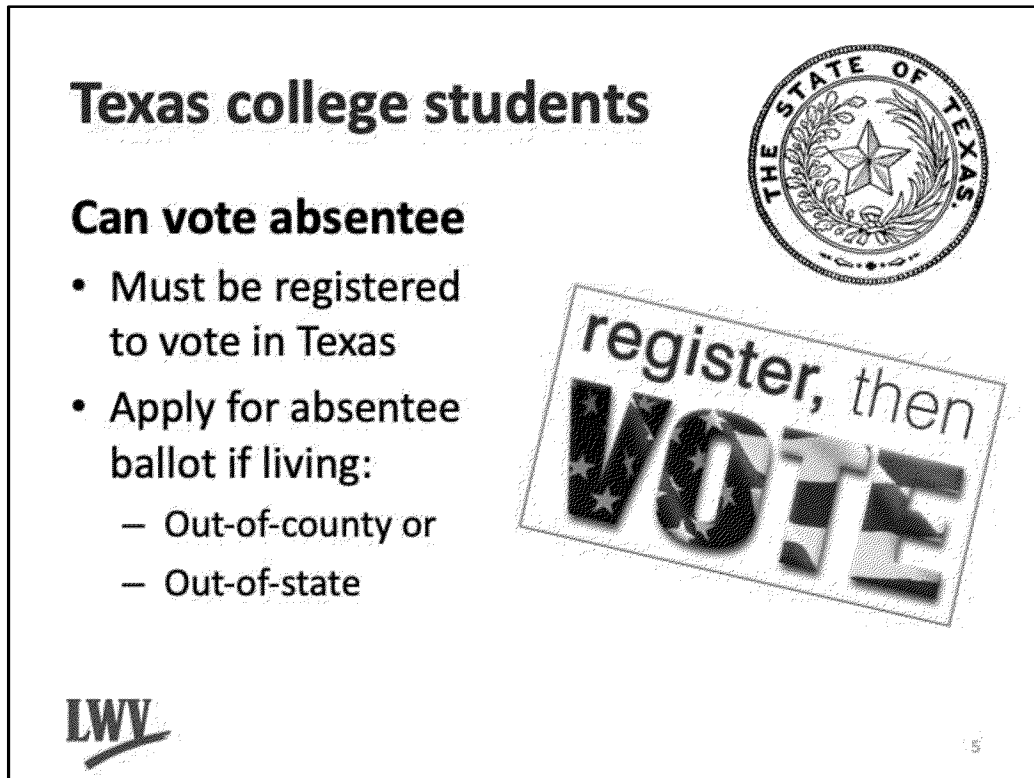


- If you want to vote using your parents' address and will not be returning home to vote, you will vote absentee by mail.
- If you want to vote where you are attending college in Texas, you must register to vote through that county elections office.

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- Texas allows students to keep their Texas county residency even when they move out-of-county or out-of-state to attend school.
- They only lose their residency if they establish residency in another state for any reason, such as to vote there.
- Thus they can apply for an absentee ballot in their county of residence.

#### **Sources**

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## Out-of-state students



**Vote at home**



- Request absentee ballot
- Check student voting guide for home state at:

<http://campusvoteproject.org/studentguides/>

**or**

**In Texas**

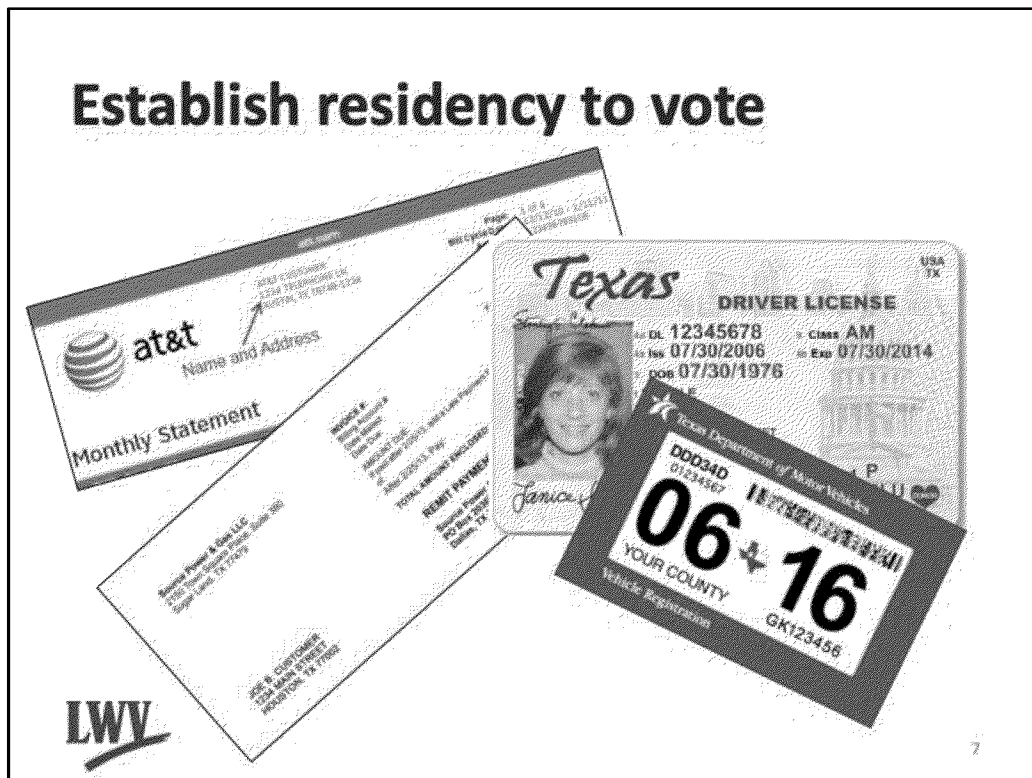
- Establish state residency
- Register to vote

- Students from another state who are attending college in Texas can vote either at their legal residence in their home state or in Texas using their school address.
- To vote in their home state:
  - They would check the student voting guide in that state at the website shown on the screen.
  - Apply to vote by absentee ballot in their county of residence.
- To vote where they live while going to school in Texas, students must declare Texas residency and register to vote.

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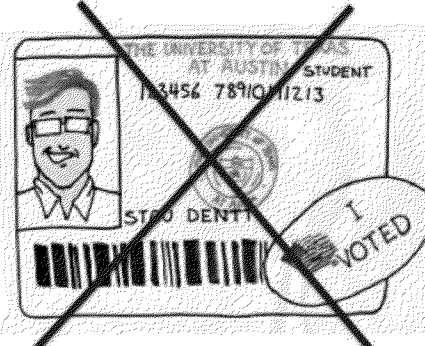


- Students can establish residency for voting in Texas if
  - they intend to remain at their Texas school address for the time being, and
  - they live there except while college is not in session.
- To establish residency requires:
  - Texas mailing address
  - Utility or phone bill using the mailing address
  - If you own a vehicle, establishing residency requires:
    - Vehicle registration within 30 days
    - Texas Driver's License within 90 days
- Voter registration requires:
  - Mailing address within the county.

#### **Sources**


- a) Residence, 1 TEX. ELEC. CODE § 1.015(d). Retrieved June 13, 2016, from <http://www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us/Docs/EL/htm/EL.1.htm>
- b) Google images. Retrieved June 16, 2016 from <https://images.google.com>

## Student ID ≠ voter ID



**Valid photo ID**

- **Issued by Texas DPS**
  - Texas driver license
  - Texas Election ID
  - Texas personal ID
  - Texas concealed handgun license
- **Issued by U.S. Govt.**
  - Military ID card with photo
  - U.S. citizenship certificate with photo
  - U.S. passport

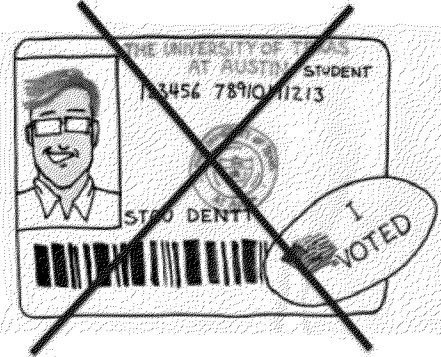

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- First-time voters who did not list their Texas driver license number or last four digits of their Social Security number on their Voter Registration Application will be required to:
  - enclose a photocopy of a valid photo ID (from the list) if voting by mail when returning your ballot or
  - show a valid photo ID to vote in person.
- Only one of the seven forms of photo ID listed can be used and
  - the ID cannot have expired more than 4 years before voting
  - Voters age 70 and older may use an expired ID

### Sources


- a) Documentation of Proof of Identification, 63 TEX. ELEC. CODE § 63.0101. from <http://www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us/Docs/EL/htm/EL.63.htm>
- b) An Act Relating to Requiring a Voter to Present Proof of Identification; Providing a Criminal Penalty and Increasing a Criminal Penalty. SB 5, 85<sup>th</sup> Texas Legislature (2017). Retrieved from <https://legiscan.com/TX/bill/SB5/2017>
- c) Texas Secretary of State. (2016, January). *Notice to voter who must provide identification (for voters voting by mail)*. Retrieved from <http://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/forms/pol-sub/5-22af.pdf>

## Student ID $\neq$ voter ID



### Other ID

- Voter registration certificate
- Certified birth certificate
- Current utility bill
- Bank statement
- Government check
- Paycheck
- Or any other government document showing name and address


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- Voters who do not have an acceptable ID can sign a simple form and enclose a copy of one of the following other documents.
- The form is called “Voter’s Statement of Reasonable Impediment or Difficulty” and will be sent along with the ballot.

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- a) Documentation of Proof of Identification, 1 TEX. ELEC. CODE § 1.0101. from <http://www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us/Docs/EL/htm/EL.1.htm>
- b) An Act Relating to Requiring a Voter to Present Proof of Identification; Providing a Criminal Penalty and Increasing a Criminal Penalty. SB 5, 85<sup>th</sup> Texas Legislature (2017). Retrieved from <http://www.capitol.state.tx.us>
- c) Texas Secretary of State. (2016, January). *Notice to voter who must provide identification (for voters voting by mail)*. Retrieved from <http://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/forms/pol-sub/5-22af.pdf>



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Election Day**

- **Call (800) 252-VOTE or**
- **Print or order online at**  
**[www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/voter/reqabbm.shtml](http://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/voter/reqabbm.shtml)**


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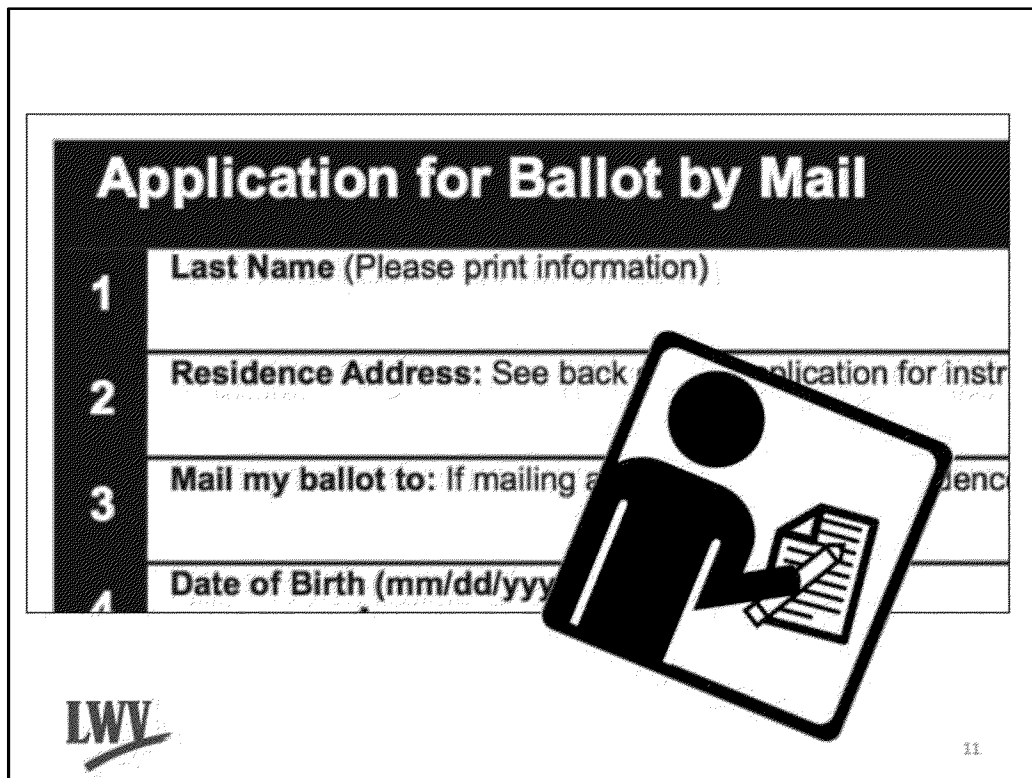
- Send your Application for Ballot by Mail as early as 60 days before an election. This will give you plenty of time to receive your ballot, mark it, and mail it back to the county early voting clerk.
- The application must be **received** (not postmarked)
  - by your county early voting clerk
  - not later than the 11th day before Election Day.
    - For this election the date is \_\_\_\_\_.
- To obtain an application, you can either:
  - Call your local county elections office or the Texas Secretary of State Office or
  - Download and print an application or order one at this website
  - In either case, the completed application must be mailed to your county elections office.
    - Contact information for the elections office is available at the website.

Note to speaker: Information not easily retrievable by searching at VoteTexas.gov home page

#### **Resources**

- a) Texas Secretary of State. *Application for a ballot by mail*. Retrieved from <http://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/voter/reqabbm.shtml>
- b) Texas Secretary of State. *Listing of county websites*. Retrieved from <http://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/voter/county.shtml>
- c) Google images. Retrieved from <https://images.google.com>





**Application for Ballot by Mail**

1 Last Name (Please print information)

2 Residence Address: See back of application for instructions

3 Mail my ballot to: If mailing a ballot to a different residence

4 Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy)

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In completing the application:

- Your name and residence address must match what is on your voter registration card. If you have moved
  - Within the county: Update address online
  - To a different county: Fill out a new Voter Registration Application
- “Mail ballot to:”
  - This is the address where you want your ballot sent
  - And your student address must be out of the county of your primary residence to qualify for voting by mail.

### Sources

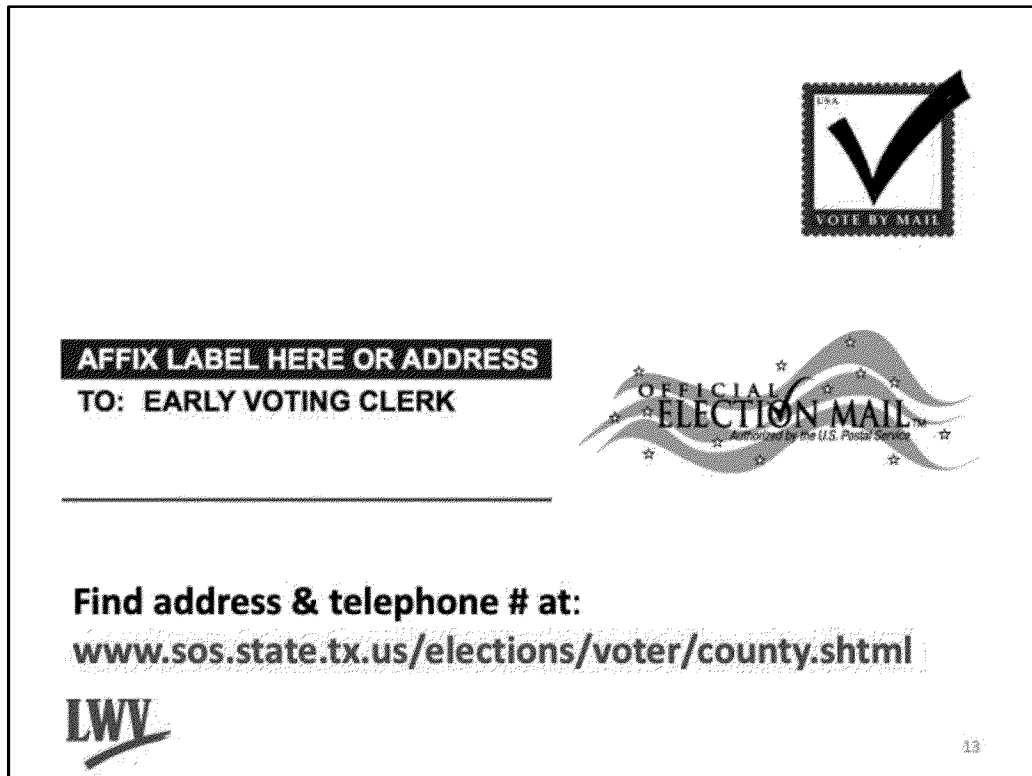
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- b) Texas Secretary of State. (n.d.). *Voter name and address changes*. Retrieved from <https://txapps.texas.gov/tolapp/sos/SOSACManager>
- c) Google images. Retrieved June 1, 2016, from <https://images.google.com>

The image shows a sample ballot application form. At the top left, there is a grey label that says "SIGN & DATE" with a large "X" mark next to it. Below this, there is a box containing the text "Signature of Witness /Assistant". Below this box, there are two more lines: "Street Address" and "State". In the bottom left corner of the form, there is a logo that says "LWV".

- Sign and date your Application for Ballot by Mail.
  - Your signature **MUST** match the one on your voter registration card.
- If you are unable to sign it yourself:
  - A person can witness your mark or attest that you cannot make a mark.
  - The witness or assistant must not only sign the application but provide an address and the relationship to the voter.
    - Unless the witness is a close relative, it is a misdemeanor to witness more than one Application for Ballot by Mail.
    - It is also a misdemeanor to omit the requested information.

#### **Sources**

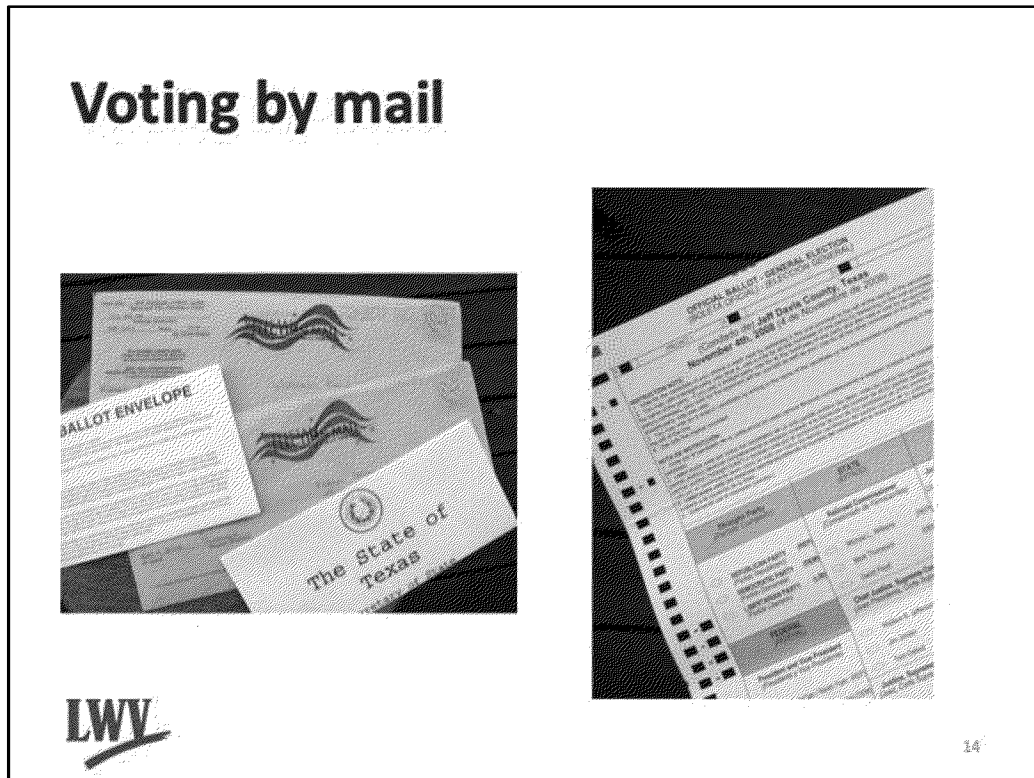
- a) Texas Secretary of State. (n.d.). *Application for ballot by mail* [Form]. Retrieved from <http://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/forms/pol-sub/5-15f.pdf>
- b) Google images. Retrieved from <https://images.google.com>



- Next, add the address of your county elections office to the designated spot on the application.
- Then fold the application, tape it shut, and put a first class stamp on it before mailing it.
- It can also be scanned and emailed or faxed to your elections office.

#### **Sources**

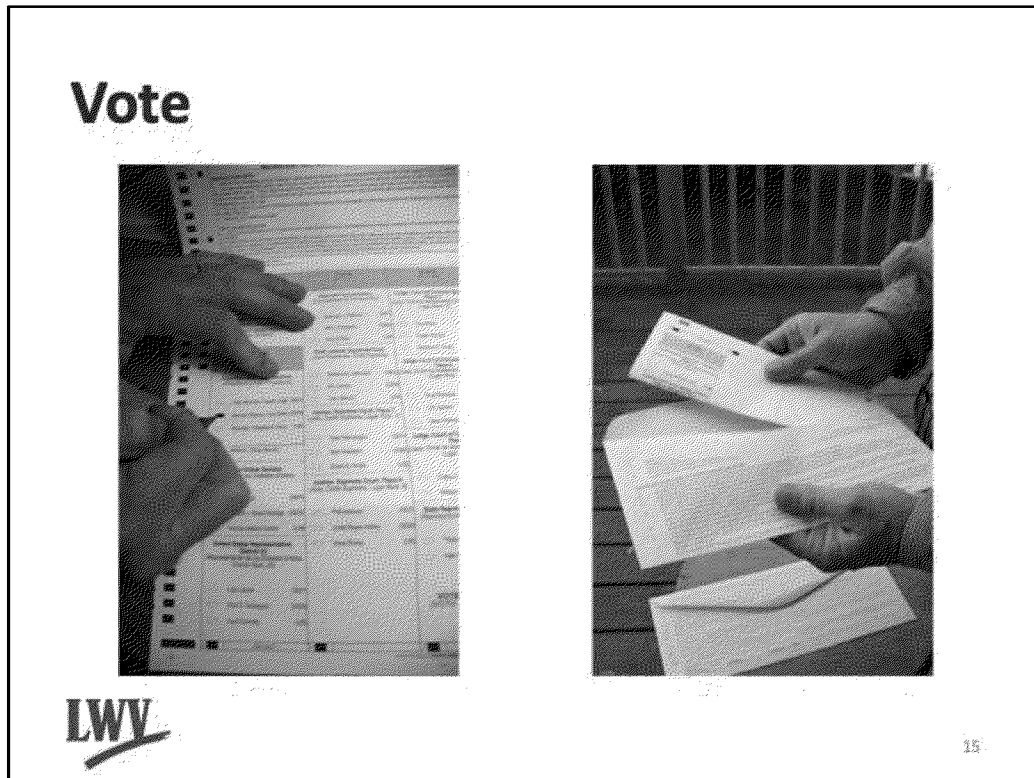
- a) Texas Secretary of State. (n.d.). *Application for ballot by mail* [form]. Retrieved from <http://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/forms/pol-sub/5-15f.pdf>
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- When you get your ballot by mail, it will contain:
  - Instructions from the Texas Secretary of State,
  - an official ballot,
  - a ballot envelope, and
  - another envelope addressed to the county elections office (commonly called the carrier envelope).
- The two envelopes are usually different colors and vary from county to county and year to year.

#### **Sources**

- a) Additional Balloting Materials, 7 TEX. ELEC. CODE § 86.002. Retrieved from <http://www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us/Docs/EL/htm/EL.86.htm>
- b) Election day. (2008, October 17). *Me and you and Ellie* [Blog]. Retrieved from <http://meandyouandellie.blogspot.com/2008/10/election-day.html>

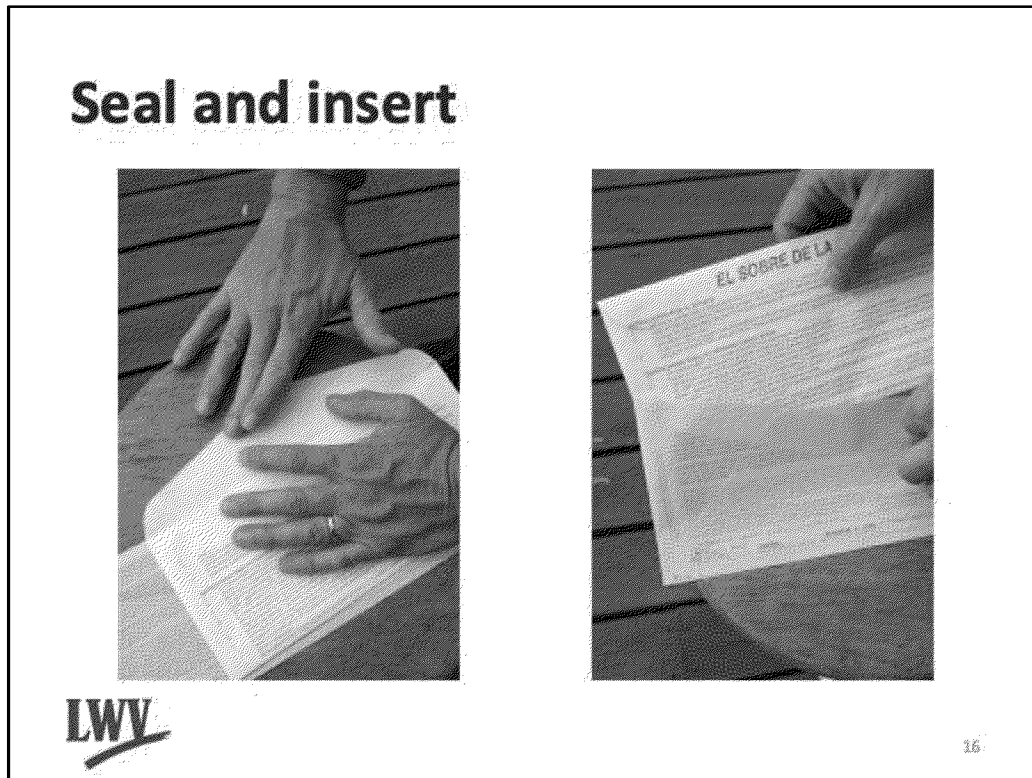


- For each office, vote for the candidate of your choice.
  - Mark the ballot according to the instructions on the ballot envelope.
  - Some counties specify that the bubble be filled in by using a black or blue ink pen.
  - There is also a place at the top of the ballot to vote a straight ticket for one party.
- After you are done voting, fold the ballot and place it in the ballot envelope.

#### **Sources**

- a) Marking and Sealing the Ballot, 7 TEX. ELEC. CODE § 86.005. Retrieved from <http://www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us/Docs/EL/htm/EL.86.htm>
- b) Lubbock County Elections Department. (2012). *How to mark a ballot by mail*. Retrieved June 8, 2016, from <http://www.votelubbock.org/voter-education/how-to-mark-a-ballot/>
- c) Election day. (2008, October 17). *Me and you and Ellie* [Blog]. Retrieved from <http://meandyouandellie.blogspot.com/2008/10/election-day.html>



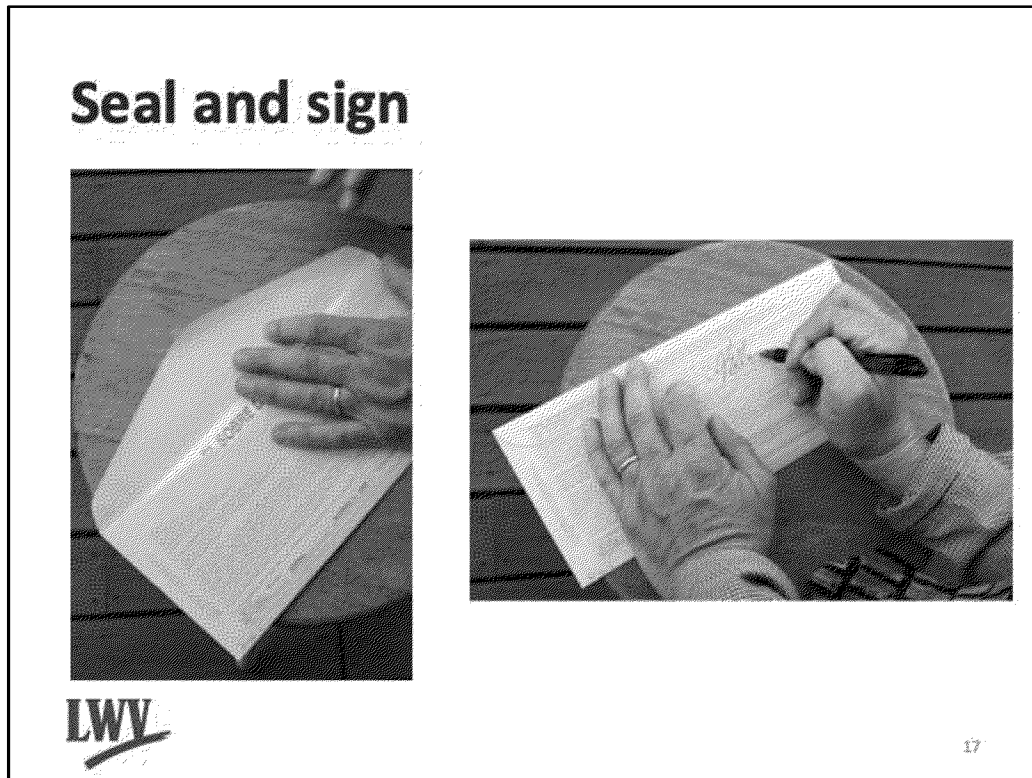


Seal the ballot envelope and place it inside the pre-addressed carrier envelope.

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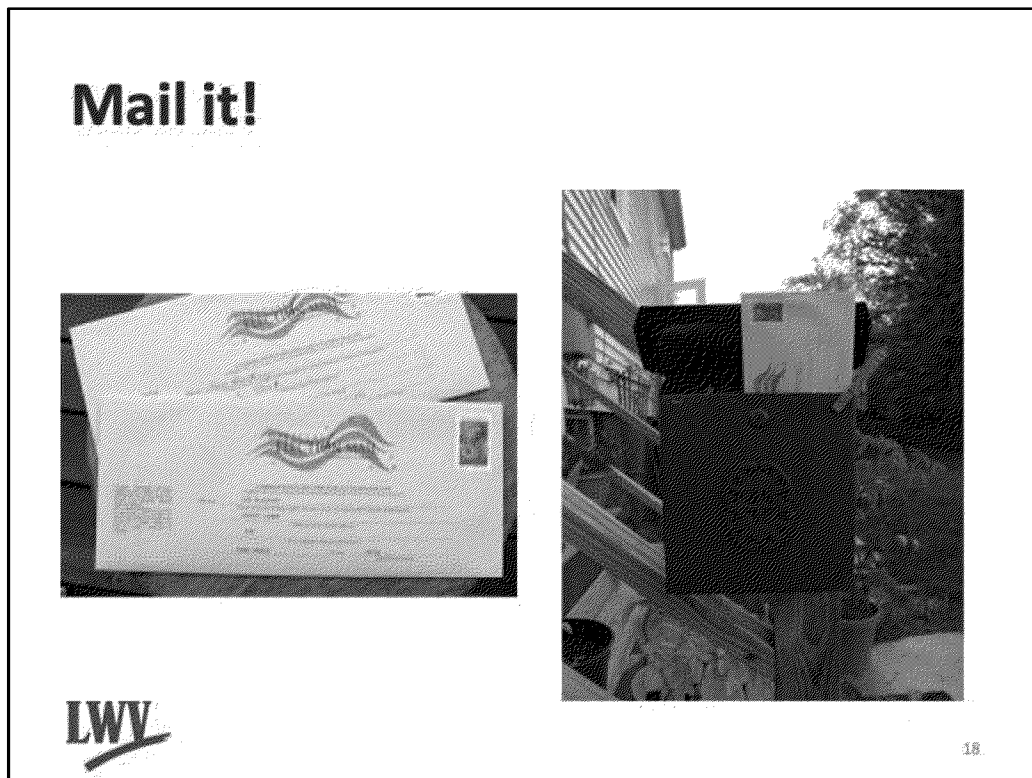




- Seal the outside envelope before signing your name.
- Sign your name next to the X on the back of the envelope.
- Be sure this signature is exactly the same as the signature on your Application for Ballot by Mail.

**Sources**

- a) Marking and Sealing the Ballot, 7 TEX. ELEC. CODE § 86.005. Retrieved from <http://www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us/Docs/EL/htm/EL.86.htm>
- b) Election day. (2008, October 17). *Me and you and Ellie* [Blog]. Retrieved from <http://meandyouandellie.blogspot.com/2008/10/election-day.html>



- Add the required postage and mail!
- If you are afraid to mail the envelope with your signature showing, you can put it in a larger envelope to mail. But be sure to:
  - have the correct address and
  - add enough postage.
- You can also use UPS or FedEx.
- In any case, only one sealed ballot can be placed in another envelope for mailing (unless ballots are from the same address).
- If you cannot mail your own ballot, give it to a trusted friend to mail. Never give it to a stranger or a someone working for a candidate or political party.

#### **Sources**

- a) Method of Returning Marked Ballot, 7 TEX. ELEC. CODE § 86.006. Retrieved from <http://www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us/Docs/EL/htm/EL.86.htm>
- b) Election day. (2008, October 17). *Me and you and Ellie* [Blog]. Retrieved from <http://meandyouandellie.blogspot.com/2008/10/election-day.html>


## Deadlines –

**Last day to\***

- Register to vote
- Apply for ballot by mail
- Vote by mail

\*Date application/ballot must be received



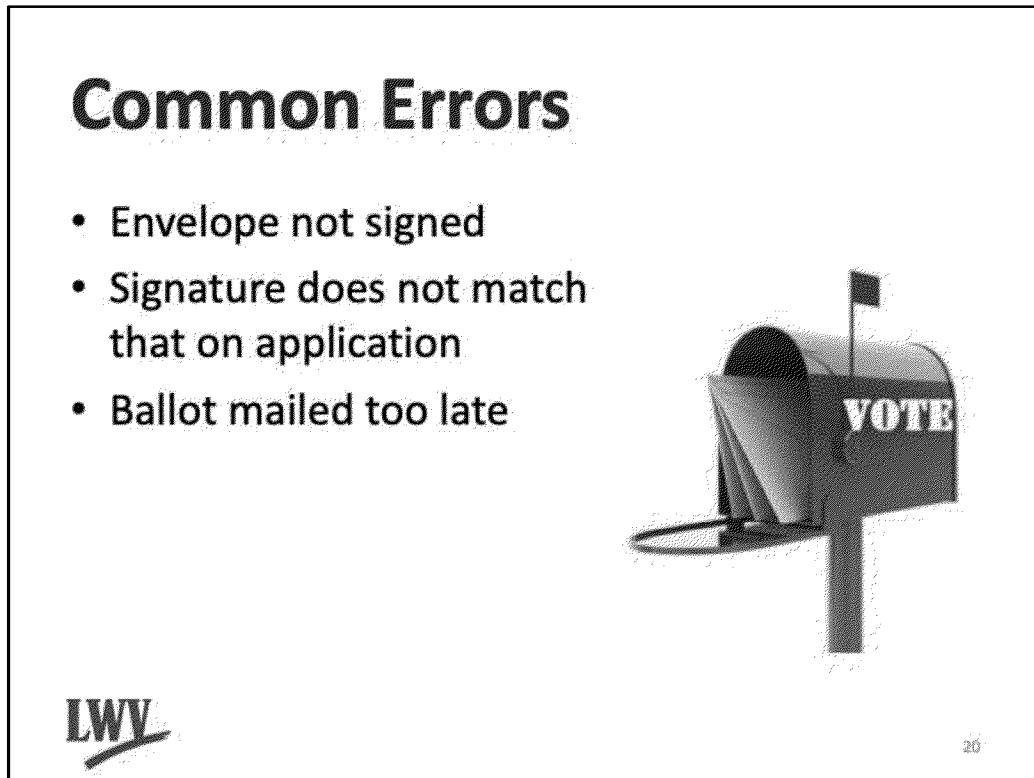

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- Register to vote \_\_\_\_\_
- Apply to vote by mail \_\_\_\_\_
- Vote by mail \_\_\_\_\_
  - Note that all the deadlines are the dates the application or ballot must be received in the elections office—not post marked on the deadline.\*
  - This means to get there on time, a local ballot must be mailed at least 3-4 days in advance of the deadline.

\*Unless a late-arriving ballot deadline applies: Can be received the following day if it was postmarked on or before Election Day.

#### **Sources**

- a) Delivery of Application to Registrar, 2 TEX. ELEC. CODE § 13.042. Retrieved from <http://www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us/Docs/EL/htm/EL.13.htm>
- b) Submitting Application for Ballot Voted by Mail: General Rule, 7 TEX. ELEC. CODE § 84.008. Retrieved from <http://www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us/Docs/EL/htm/EL.84.htm>
- c) Deadline for Returning Marked Ballot, 7 TEX. ELEC. CODE § 86.007. Retrieved from <http://www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us/Docs/EL/htm/EL.86.htm>



There are always some ballots that don't count because of a simple oversight, such as:

- Forgetting to sign the outside envelope.
- The signature on the envelope and on the Application for Mail Ballot are different.
- Worst of all, it got in the mail too late to arrive by Election Day.

**Sources**

- a) California Forward. (2014). Three common errors: Voting by Mail [Image] in *Your final vote by mail cheatsheet!* Retrieved from <http://www.cafwd.org/reporting/entry/your-final-vote-by-mail-cheatsheet>
- b) Google images. Retrieved June 1, 2016, from <https://images.google.com>



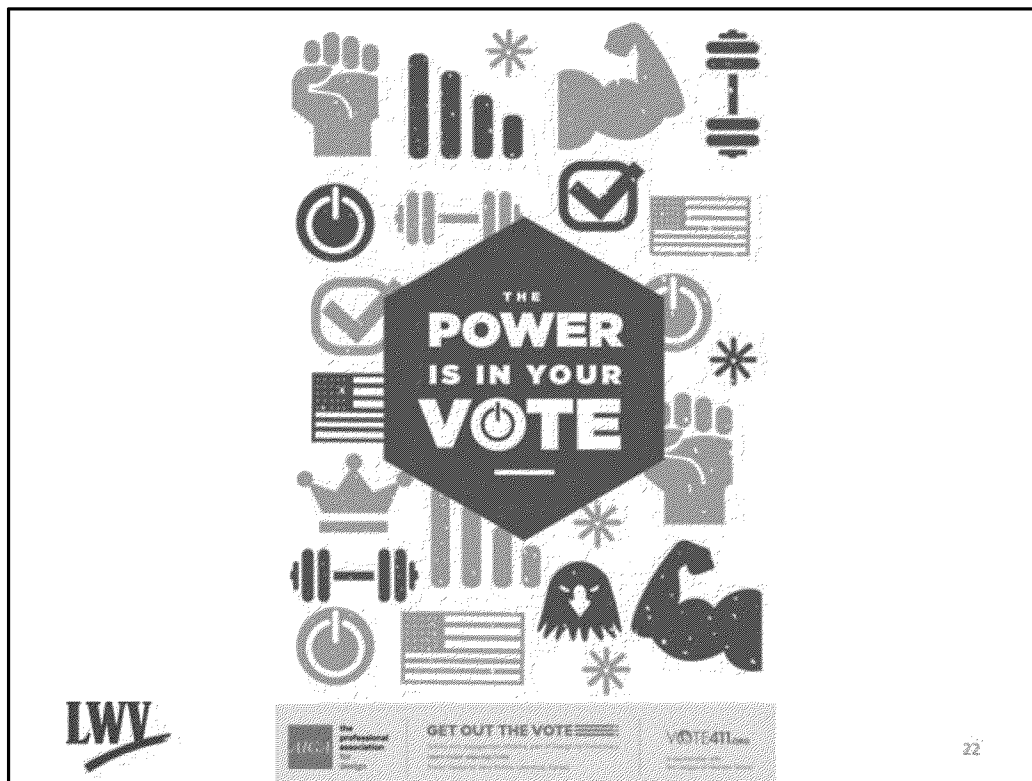
In short, there are four basic steps:

- Register to vote
- Plan ahead
  - Apply to vote by mail as soon as you can
  - Or check out your polling place
- Learn about the candidates and their stands on the issues.
- If want a reminder to vote, sign up online to get text messages or emails.

**Source**

AIGA, the Professional Association for Design. (2016). *Get out the vote*. Retrieved from <http://www.aiga.org/get-out-the-vote/>





The power is in numbers!

- Millennials are not only the largest living generation in the U.S., but have caught up with Baby Boomers in their share of the electorate.<sup>a</sup>
  - Millennials comprise 1/3 of the voting-eligible population.<sup>a</sup>
- Politicians listen to the people who vote.
  - Senior citizens in this country have great government programs like Social Security and Medicare. That's because seniors as a group have a high turnout rate. So elected officials are very responsive to their needs.
  - Young people historically have had a low turnout rate, so politicians are less in tune with their needs.
- But more millennials are voting – the proportion of millennials eligible to vote who voted in the 2016 Presidential Election was 49%, an increase of 3% from 2012.<sup>b,c</sup>
- And in the 2018 midterm election, 31% youth ages 18-29 voted, up dramatically from 21% in 2014.<sup>d</sup>

#### Sources

<sup>a</sup>Fry, R. (2016, May 16). Millennials match Baby Boomers as largest generation in the U.S. electorate, but will they vote? *Pew Research Center FactTank*. Retrieved from <https://tinyurl.com/y7b7k46c>

<sup>b</sup>U.S. Census Bureau. (2017, May). Table 1. Reported voting and registration, by sex and single years of age: November 2016 (P20 Tables). *Voting and registration in the election of November 2016*. Retrieved from <https://tinyurl.com/mdxxwza>

<sup>c</sup>Fry, R. (2016, August 29). This may be the last presidential election dominated by Boomers and prior generations. *Pew Research Center Fact Tank*. <https://tinyurl.com/ztdre2k>

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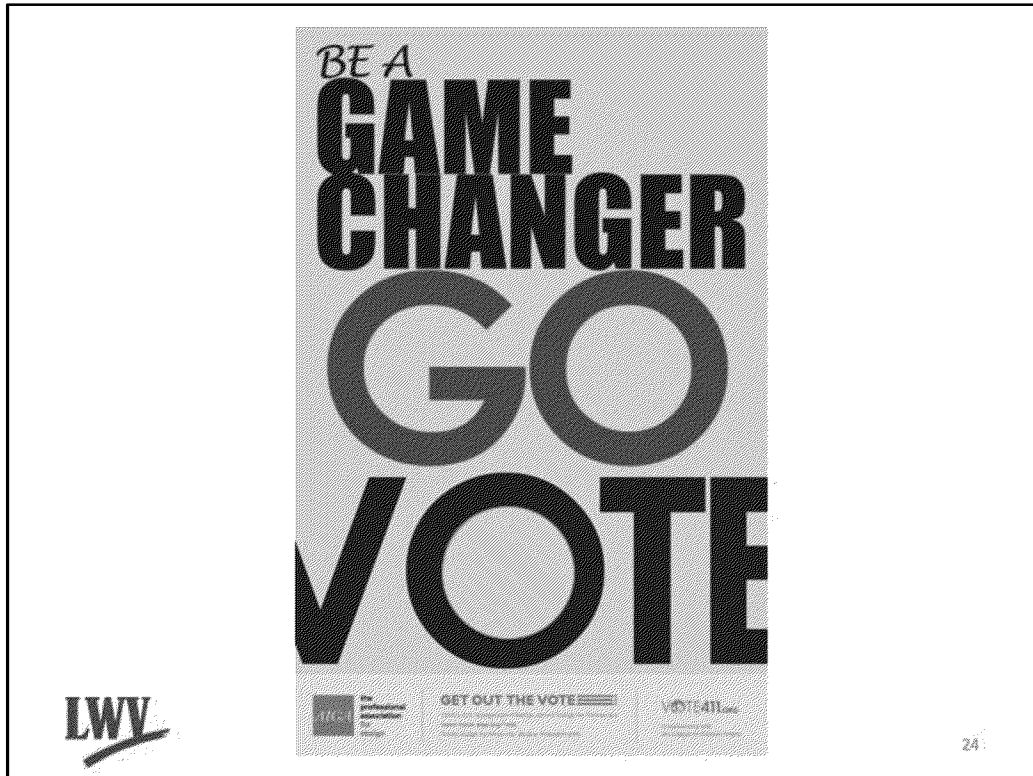


Why vote? Because it counts in so many ways!

- Most importantly, voters elect officials who make government policies that effect our lives, such as the
  - Interest rates you pay on your student loan
  - Taxes taken out of your paycheck
  - Health care benefits you get at your job
  - Availability of bike paths, parks, and libraries where you live
- Some of you may not like the choices on the ballot or the fact that your preferred candidate in the last election lost.
  - But in fact, usually half the voters (more or less) win and the rest lose.
  - Close elections encourage elected officials to listen to diverse opinions on an issue.
  - In the upcoming election, we need to vote and make the best choice we can among those running to keep our government functioning.
- And, yes, one vote can make a difference.
  - In the May 2016 Irving city council election, a runoff election was avoided because when one provisional ballot was counted, it pushed the incumbent over the 50% threshold required to avoid a runoff, saving the city \$70,000. (Brumfield, 2016)
- The only time your vote doesn't count is when you don't vote.

**Source**

Brumfield, L. (2016, May 13). One vote makes the difference as Meagher declared winner in Irving council race. *Dallas Morning News*. Retrieved from <https://tinyurl.com/y9wca8yv>



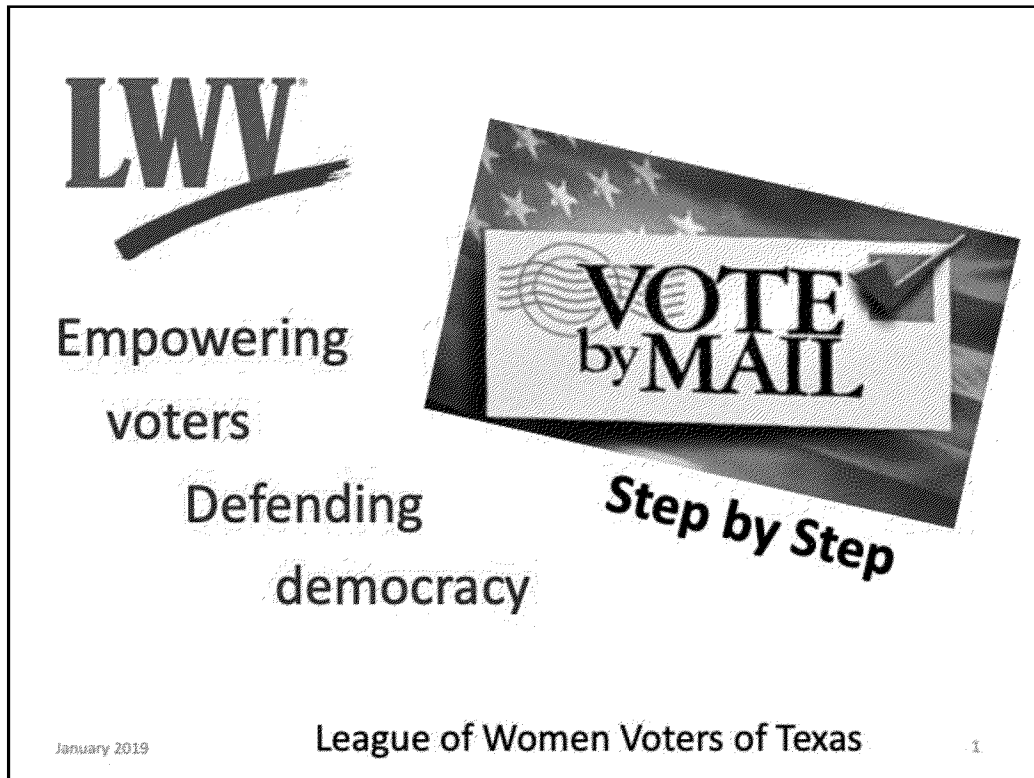
Do you think that:

- College tuition should be free?
- The minimum wage for internships should be enforced?
- Pell grant awards should be increased to 100% of the average in-state tuition?
- Marijuana should be legalized?
- The voting age should be lowered to age 16?

Whatever your issue is that involves government policy, voting is one way to have some control over the decisions.

This is a competitive election, so be a game changer!

# Exhibit 62



- Hello. I am NAME, representing \_\_\_\_\_. Thank you for inviting me to talk about the League’s favorite topic—voting!
- Our goal is to empower citizens to shape better communities.
- As a nonpartisan organization, the League never endorses or opposes candidates or political parties.
- But we do advocate for positions on issues that our members have studied and agreed upon.

**Sources**

<https://my.lwv.org/texas/about-league-women-voters-texas>

*Google images.* Retrieved from <https://images.google.com>



Registered voters in Texas can cast a ballot by mail if they are:

- 65 years of age or older;
- disabled;
- confined in jail, but not convicted of a felony; or
- will be out of the county on Election Day **and** during early voting.

**Sources:**

Texas Secretary of State. *Application for a ballot by mail*. Retrieved from <https://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/voter/reqabbm.shtml>  
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## Military & Overseas

- Regular process
  1. Voter registration
  2. Ballot by mail application
- Federal Postcard Application
 

Voter registration *and* application for ballot by mail on one form

**www.fvap.gov**





- Members of the military and their family members and those residing overseas can vote absentee if they are:
  - A U.S. citizen, 18 years old, and absent from voting residence
- Can choose the
  - Regular two-step process to register to vote and apply for ballot by mail **or** the
  - One-step process using the Federal Postcard Application
  - In either case the applications are mailed to the county elections office.
- The Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) website provides
  - Not only the
    - Postcard applications and
    - Deadlines for applications and returned ballots
  - But also links to
    - Absentee voting guidelines
    - State election website
    - Local elections office contact information
    - Recommended mailing dates by country so ballot arrives on time
      - This link is found on the information pages for members of the different branches of the service.

### Sources

- a) Texas Secretary of State. (n.d.). *Military & overseas voters*. Retrieved from <http://www.votetexas.gov/military-overseas-voters/>
- b) U.S. Department of Defense. (n.d.). *Federal voting assistance program*. Retrieved from <https://www.fvap.gov>



## Texas college students

### Can vote absentee

- Must be registered to vote in Texas
- Apply for absentee ballot if living:
  - Out-of-county or
  - Out-of-state




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- Texas allows students to keep their residency even when they move out-of-county or out-of-state to attend school.
- They only lose their residency if they establish residency in another state for any reason, such as to vote there.
- Thus they can apply for an absentee ballot in their county of residence.

### Sources

- a) Residence, 1 TEX. ELEC. CODE § 1.015(d). Retrieved from <http://www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us/Docs/EL/htm/EL.1.htm>
- b) Campus Vote Project. (n.d.). *Student guides*. Retrieved from <http://campusvoteproject.org/studentguides/>

## Out-of-state students



**Vote at home**



- Request absentee ballot
- Check student voting guide for home state at:

<http://campusvoteproject.org/studentguides/>

**or**

**In Texas**

- Establish state residency
- Register to vote

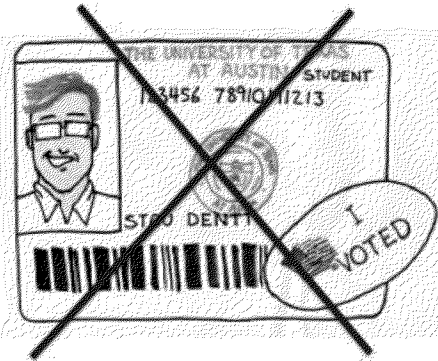



- Students from another state who are attending college in Texas can vote either at their legal residence in their home state or in Texas using their school address.
- To vote in their home state:
  - They would check the student voting guide in that state at the website shown on the screen.
  - Apply to vote by absentee ballot in their county of residence.
- To vote where they live while going to school in Texas, students must declare Texas residency and register to vote.

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- **Issued by Texas DPS**
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  - Texas Election ID
  - Texas personal ID
  - Texas concealed handgun license
- **Issued by U.S. Govt.**
  - Military ID card with photo
  - U.S. citizenship certificate with photo
  - U.S. passport

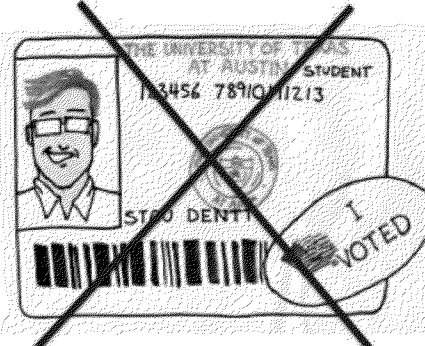

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- First-time voters who did not list their Texas driver license number or last four digits of their Social Security number on their Voter Registration Application will be required to:
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- b) An Act Relating to Requiring a Voter to Present Proof of Identification; Providing a Criminal Penalty and Increasing a Criminal Penalty. SB 5, 85<sup>th</sup> Texas Legislature (2017). Retrieved from <https://legiscan.com/TX/bill/SB5/2017>
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- **Call (800) 252-VOTE or**
- **Print or order online at**  
**[www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/voter/reqabbm.shtml](http://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/voter/reqabbm.shtml)**


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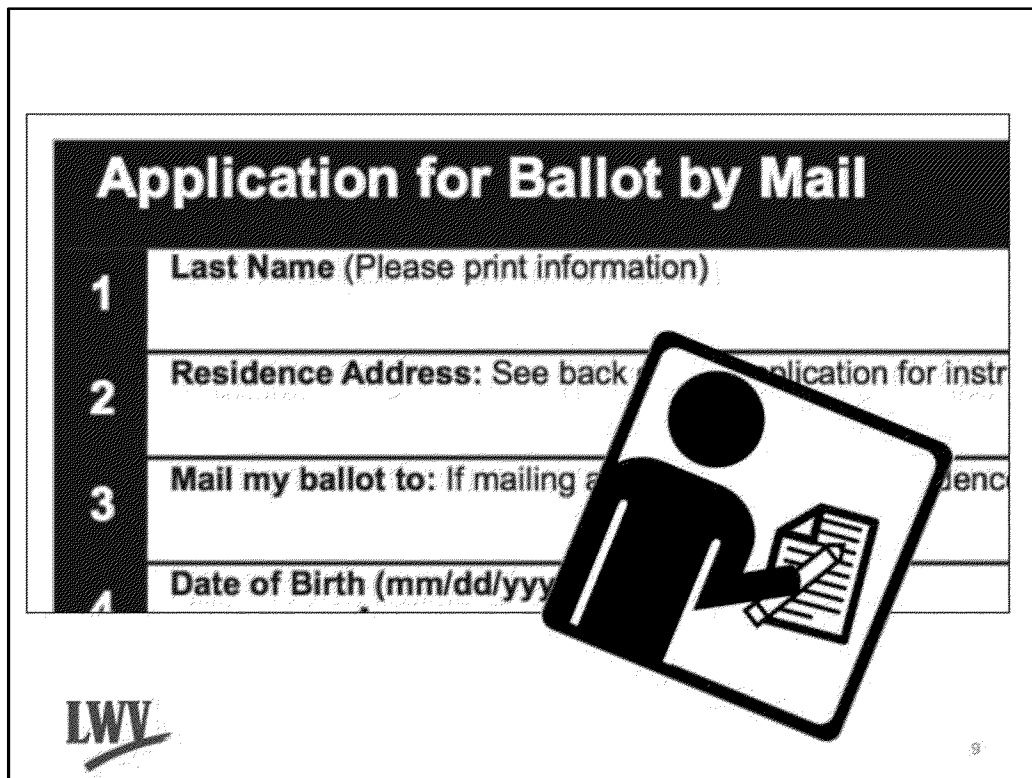
- Send your Application for Ballot by Mail as early as 60 days before an election. This will give you plenty of time to receive your ballot, mark it, and mail it back to the county early voting clerk.
- The application must be **received** (not postmarked)
  - by your county early voting clerk
  - not later than the 11th day before Election Day.
    - For this election the date is \_\_\_\_\_.
- To obtain an application, you can either:
  - Call your local county elections office or the Texas Secretary of State Office or
  - Download and print an application or order one at this website
  - In either case, the completed application must be mailed to your county elections office.
    - Contact information for the elections office is available at the website.

Note to speaker: Information not easily retrievable by searching at VoteTexas.gov home page

#### **Resources**

- a) Texas Secretary of State. *Application for a ballot by mail*. Retrieved from <http://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/voter/reqabbm.shtml>
- b) Texas Secretary of State. *Listing of county websites*. Retrieved from <http://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/voter/county.shtml>
- c) Google images. Retrieved from <https://images.google.com>





**Application for Ballot by Mail**

1	Last Name (Please print information)
2	Residence Address: See back of application for instructions
3	Mail my ballot to: If mailing a ballot to a different residence
4	Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy)

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In completing the application:

- Your name and residence address must match what is on your voter registration card. If you have moved
  - Within the county: Update address online
  - To a different county: Fill out a new Voter Registration Application
- “Mail my ballot to:”
  - This is the address where you want your ballot sent if not your residence address.
  - And that address depends on the reason you are voting by mail.

#### Sources



- a) Texas Secretary of State. (n.d.). *Application for ballot by mail* [form]. Retrieved from <http://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/voter/reqabbm.shtml>
- b) Texas Secretary of State. (n.d.). *Voter name and address changes*. Retrieved from <https://txapps.texas.gov/tolapp/sos/SOSACManager>
- c) Google images. Retrieved from <https://images.google.com>



**If age 65+ or disabled:**  
**Ballot can be mailed to your:**

- Residence
- Assisted living/retirement center
- Nursing home
- Hospital
- A relative

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- If the reason you are requesting to vote by mail is that you are age 65 or older, you have several options where the ballot can be mailed, depending on your circumstances.
- It can be mailed to where you are living or will be residing for the time being or even a relative.

**Sources**

- a) Texas Secretary of State. (n.d.). *Application for ballot by mail* [Form]. Retrieved from <http://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/voter/reqabbm.shtml>
- b) Google images. Retrieved from <https://images.google.com>

## 65+ or disability


**6a** **ONLY Voters 65 Years of Age or Older or Voters with a Disability:**  
 If applying for one election, select appropriate box.  
 If applying once for elections in the calendar year, select "Annual Application."

☐ Annual Application

<p><u>Uniform and Other Elections:</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> May Election</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> November Election</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other _____</p>	<p><u>Primary Elections:</u>              You must declare <u>one</u> political party to vote in a primary:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Democratic Primary</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Republican Primary</p>
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☐ Any Resulting Runoff

## Others – one election at a time



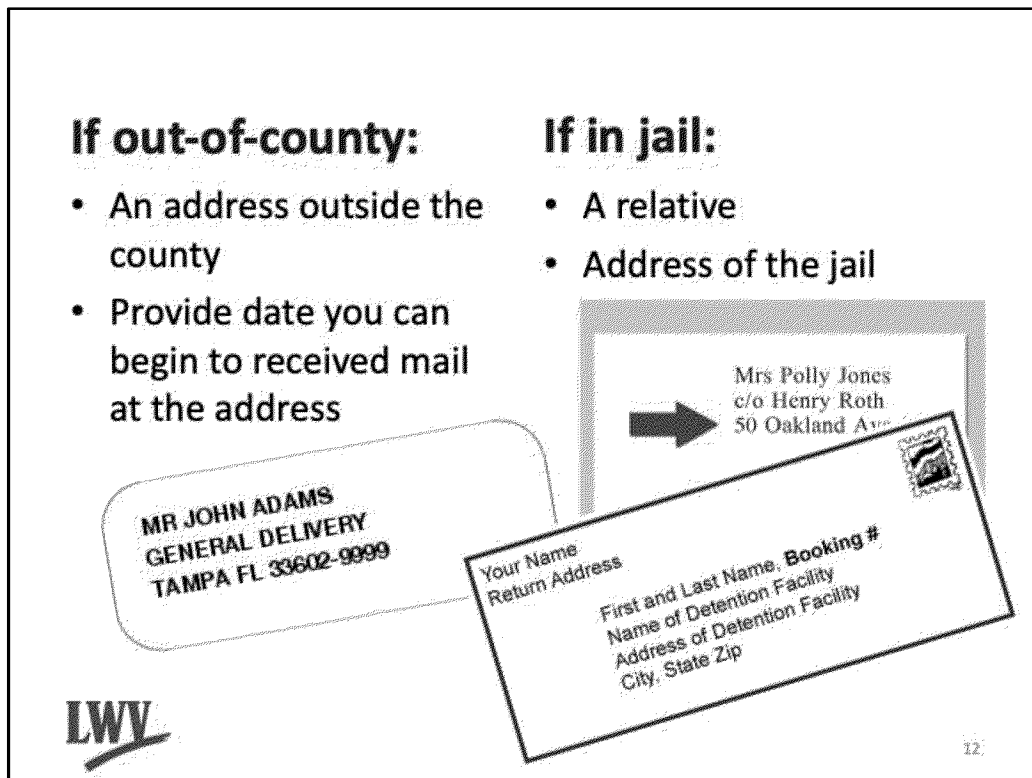
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If you are voting by mail because you are disabled or are 65 or older:

- You can request to vote by mail in all elections in the calendar year.
- While you can submit this annual application anytime during the calendar year, it must be received in the county elections office at least 11 days before the first election in which you seek to request a ballot by mail.
  - The elections clerk should forward your annual application to other entities where you are a qualified voter. This means that the school district or city ballots will also be mailed to you.
- Those voting absentee (i.e., out-of-county) and those in jail can only apply to vote by mail for the upcoming election.

**Source**

Texas Secretary of State. (n.d.). *Application for ballot by mail* [form]. Retrieved from <http://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/voter/reqabbm.shtml>



- If you are voting absentee because you will not be anywhere in the county on Election Day and during early voting:
  - Your ballot **MUST** be mailed to an address outside the county where you can get it beginning on a specified date.
  - You must be out of county on all possible voting dates to vote absentee.
- If an inmate is eligible to vote, the ballot can be sent a relative or to the jail.

### Sources

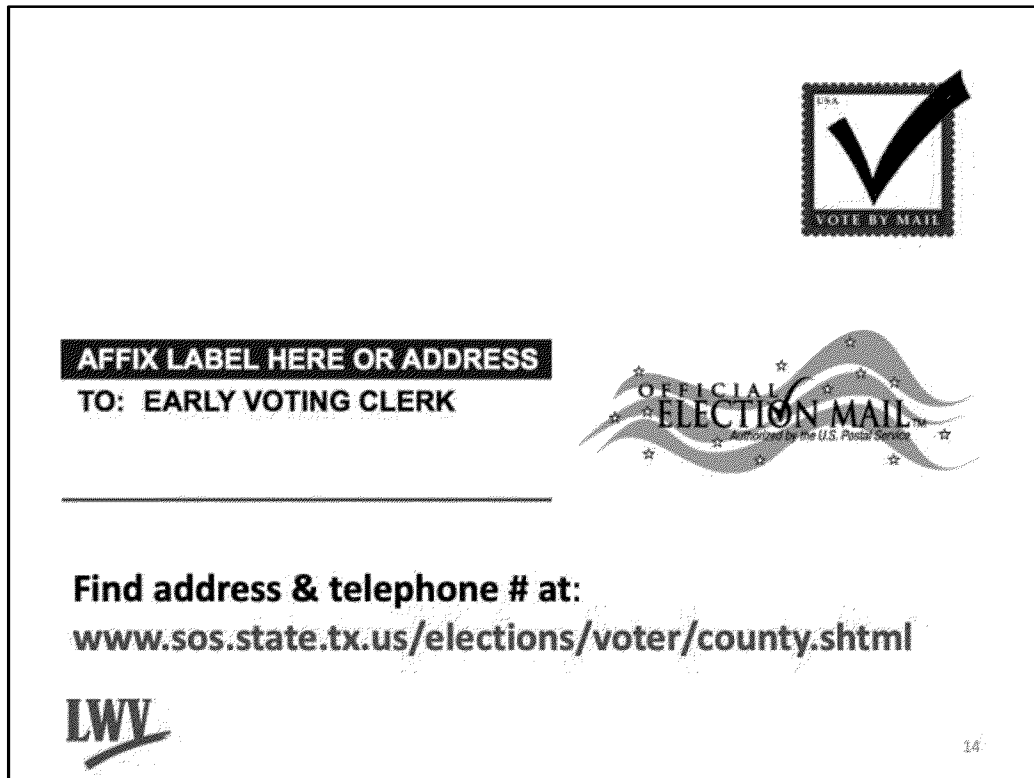
- a) Texas Secretary of State. (n.d.). *Application for ballot by mail* [form]. Retrieved from <http://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/voter/reqabbm.shtml>
- b) Google images. Retrieved from <https://images.google.com>

The image shows a sample ballot application form. At the top left, there is a grey label that says "SIGN & DATE" with a large "X" mark next to it. Below this, there is a section for a witness or assistant, which includes three lines for "Signature of Witness /Assistant", "Street Address", and "State". The LWV logo is in the bottom left corner. The number 13 is in the bottom right corner.

- Sign and date your Application for Ballot by Mail.
  - Your signature **MUST** match the one on your voter registration card.
- If you are unable to sign it yourself:
  - A person can witness your mark or attest that you cannot make a mark.
  - The witness or assistant must not only sign the application but provide an address and the relationship to the voter.
    - Unless the witness is a close relative, it is a misdemeanor to witness more than one Application for Ballot by Mail.
    - It is also a misdemeanor to omit the requested information.

#### Sources

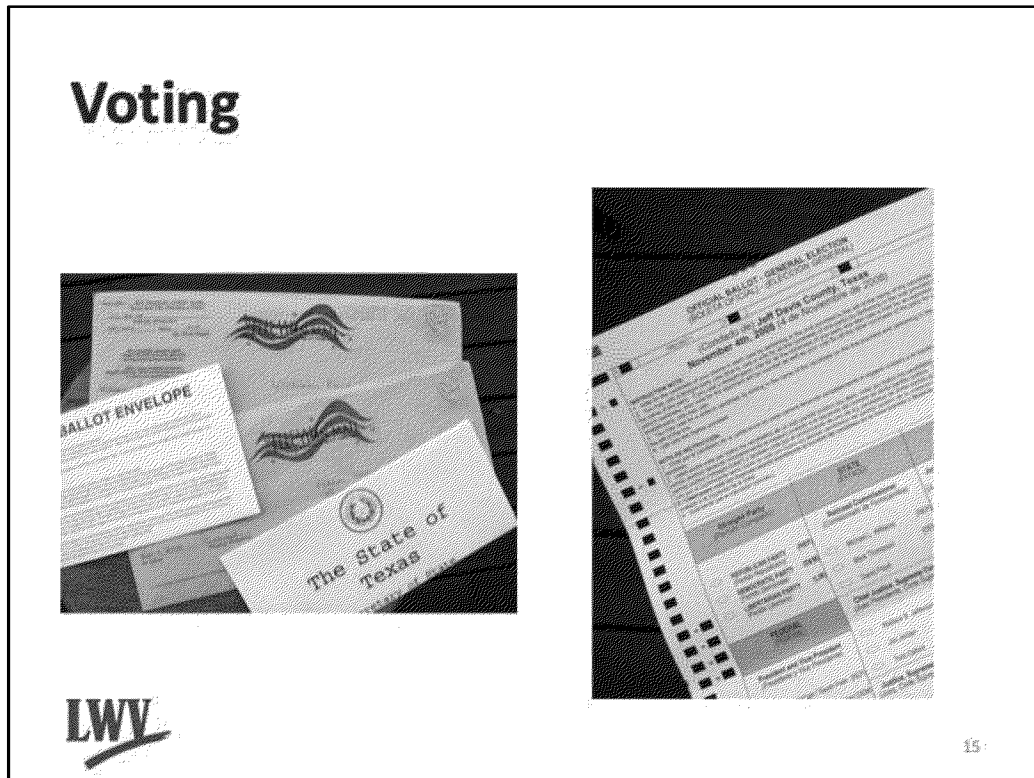
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- b) Google images. Retrieved from <https://images.google.com>



- Next, add the address of your county elections office to the designated spot on the application.
- Then fold the application, tape it shut, and put a first class stamp on it before mailing it.
- It can also be scanned and emailed or faxed to your elections office.
  - But the original must still be mailed and received at the elections office within 4 business days.

**Source**

- a) Texas Secretary of State. (n.d.). *Application for ballot by mail* [form]. Retrieved from <http://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/voter/reqabbm.shtml>
- b) Google images. Retrieved from <https://images.google.com>

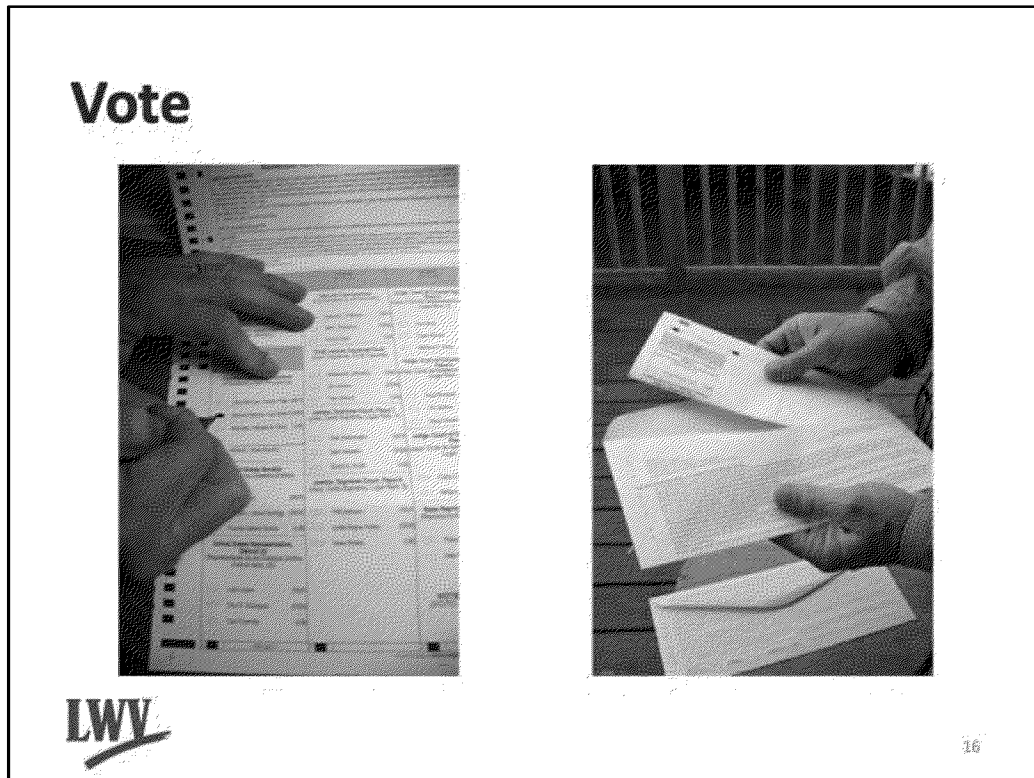


- When you get your ballot by mail, it will contain:
  - Instructions from the Texas Secretary of State,
  - an official ballot,
  - a ballot envelope, and
  - another envelope addressed to the county elections office (commonly called the carrier envelope).
- The two envelopes are usually different colors and vary from county to county and year to year.

#### **Sources**

- a) Additional Balloting Materials, 7 TEX. ELEC. CODE § 86.002. Retrieved from <http://www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us/Docs/EL/htm/EL.86.htm>
- b) Election day. (2008, October 17). *Me and you and Ellie* [Blog]. Retrieved from <http://meandyouandellie.blogspot.com/2008/10/election-day.html>

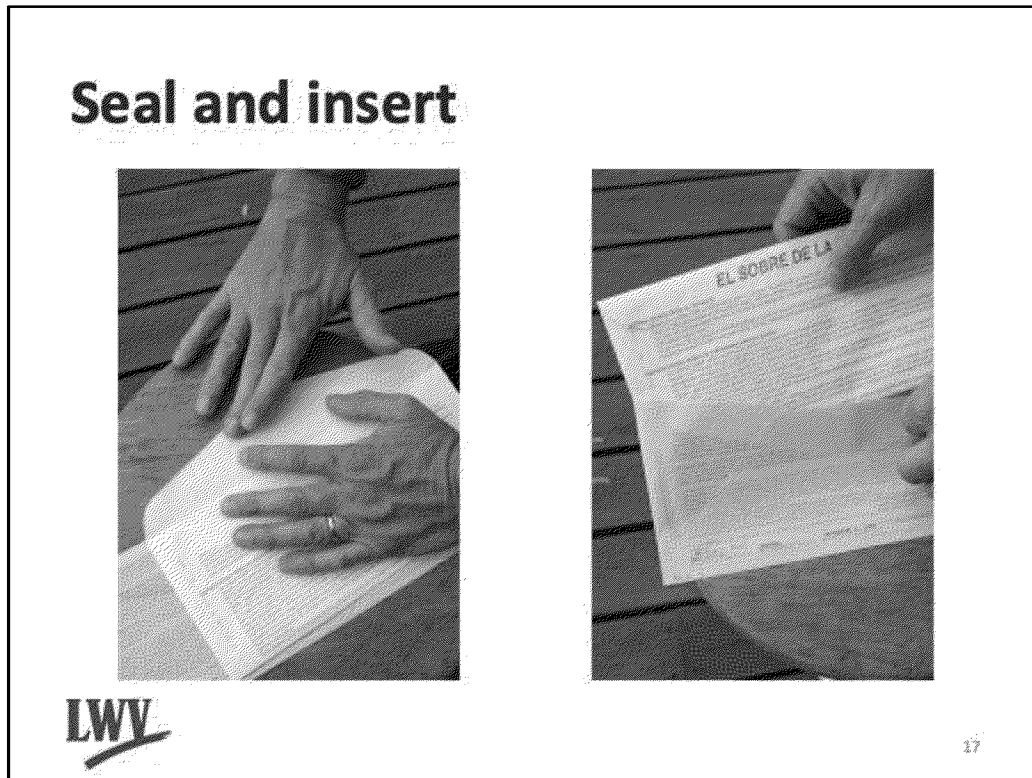




- For each office, vote for the candidate of your choice.
  - Mark the ballot according to the instructions on the ballot envelope.
  - Some counties specify that the bubble be filled in by using a black or blue ink pen.
- After you are done voting, fold the ballot and place it in the ballot envelope.

#### **Sources**

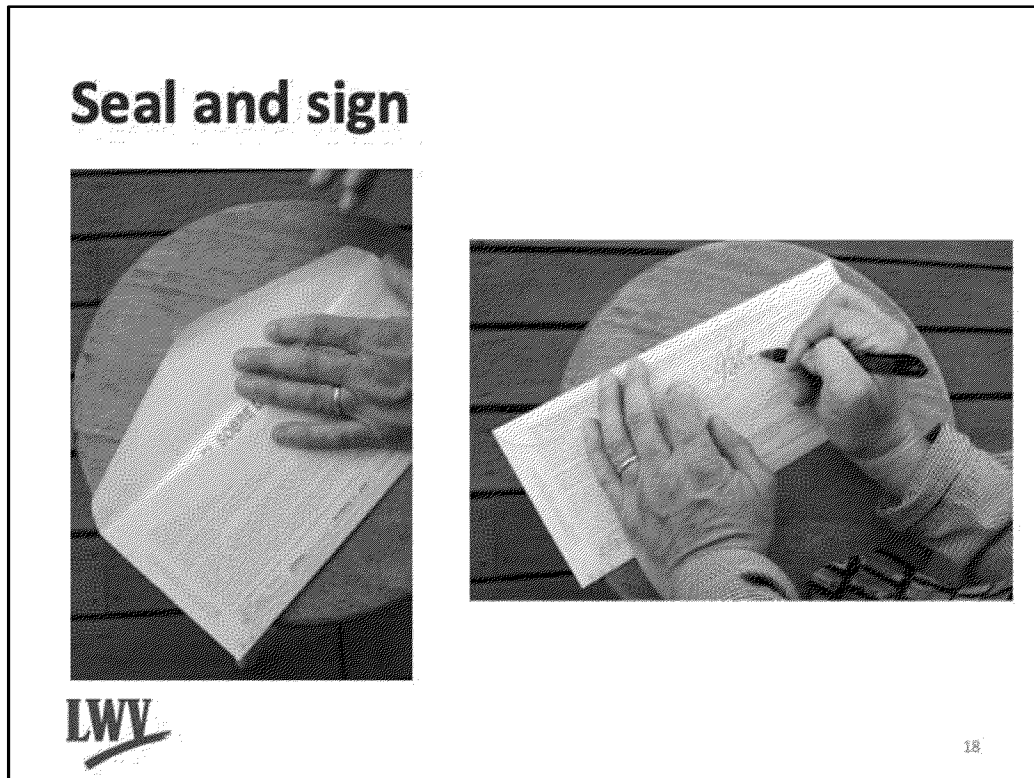
- a) Marking and Sealing the Ballot, 7 TEX. ELEC. CODE § 86.005. Retrieved from <http://www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us/Docs/EL/htm/EL.86.htm>
- b) Lubbock County Elections Department. (2012). *How to mark a ballot by mail*. Retrieved from <http://www.votelubbock.org/voter-education/how-to-mark-a-ballot/>
- c) Election day. (2008, October 17). *Me and you and Ellie* [Blog]. Retrieved from <http://meandyouandellie.blogspot.com/2008/10/election-day.html>



Seal the ballot envelope and place it inside the pre-addressed carrier envelope.

**Sources**

- a) Marking and Sealing the Ballot, 7 TEX. ELEC. CODE § 86.005. Retrieved from <http://www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us/Docs/EL/htm/EL.86.htm>
- b) Election day. (2008, October 17). *Me and you and Ellie* [Blog]. Retrieved from <http://meandyouandellie.blogspot.com/2008/10/election-day.html>



- Seal the outside envelope before signing your name.
- Sign your name next to the X on the back of the envelope.
- Be sure this signature is exactly the same as the signature on your Application for Vote by Mail.

**Sources**

- a) Marking and Sealing the Ballot, 7 TEX. ELEC. CODE § 86.005. Retrieved from <http://www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us/Docs/EL/htm/EL.86.htm>
- b) Election day. (2008, October 17). *Me and you and Ellie* [Blog]. Retrieved from <http://meandyouandellie.blogspot.com/2008/10/election-day.html>



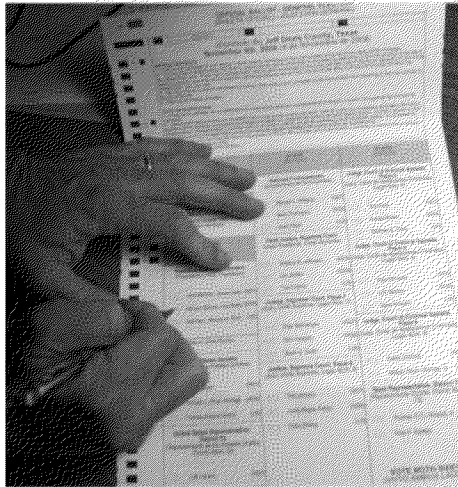


- Add the required postage and mail!
- If you are afraid to mail the envelope with your signature showing, you can put it in a larger envelope to mail. But be sure to:
  - have the correct address and
  - add enough postage.
- You can also use UPS or FedEx.
- In any case, only one sealed ballot can be placed in another envelope for mailing (unless ballots are from the same address).
- If you cannot mail your own ballot, give it to a family member or trusted friend to mail. Never give it to a stranger or a someone working for a candidate or political party.

#### **Sources**

- a) Method of Returning Marked Ballot, 7 TEX. ELEC. CODE § 86.006. Retrieved from <http://www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us/Docs/EL/htm/EL.86.htm>
- b) Election day. (2008, October 17). *Me and you and Ellie* [Blog]. Retrieved from <http://meandyouandellie.blogspot.com/2008/10/election-day.html>

## If you need help ...



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- If you need help reading, marking, or mailing the actual ballot, ask a family member or trusted friend for help.
  - The assistant may not in any way suggest who you should vote for.
  - Your vote is secret.
  - It is a crime for someone to coach you how to vote or to tell anyone how you voted.
- It's not uncommon for someone from a political organization to offer to help with your ballot soon after you've received it. We recommend you decline this kind of help for several reasons. If you allow your ballot to be mailed by someone you don't know, it might not be mailed at all.
  - If it's delivered to the elections office from the address of a candidate or a campaign's headquarters, your ballot will be rejected.
- Anyone who helps a voter with a mail ballot in person **MUST** put their name and address on the carrier envelope as a witness or assistant & check the appropriate box.
  - No one may be a witness (for voters who can't sign their name) for more than 1 carrier envelope per election.

### Sources


- a) Texas Secretary of State. (n.d.) *Helpful hints on voting early by mail*. Retrieved from <http://www.votetexas.gov/voting/when.html> <Helpful Hints for Voting by Mail>
- b) Election day. (2008, October 17). *Me and you and Ellie* [Blog]. Retrieved from <http://meandyouandellie.blogspot.com/2008/10/election-day.html>
- c) Google images. Retrieved from <https://images.google.com>


## Deadlines –

**Last day to\***

- Register to vote
- Apply for ballot by mail
- Vote by mail

\*Date application/ballot must be received




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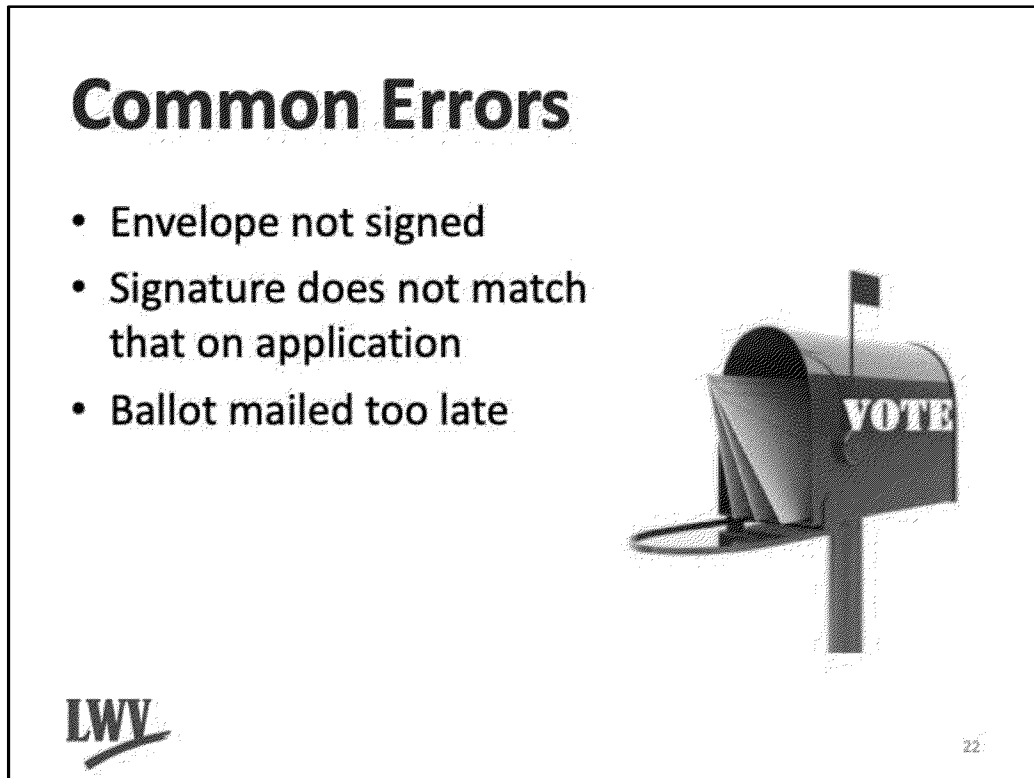
- Register to vote \_\_\_\_\_
- Apply to vote by mail \_\_\_\_\_
- Vote by mail \_\_\_\_\_
  - Note that all the deadlines are the dates the application or ballot must be **received** in the elections office—not post marked on the deadline.\*
  - This means to get there on time, a local ballot must be mailed at least 3-4 days in advance of the deadline.

\*Unless a late-arriving ballot deadline applies: Can be received the following day if it was postmarked on or before Election Day.

#### **Sources**

- a) Delivery of Application to Registrar, 2 TEX. ELEC. CODE § 13.042. Retrieved from <http://www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us/Docs/EL/htm/EL.13.htm>
- b) Submitting Application for Ballot Voted by Mail: General Rule, 7 TEX. ELEC. CODE § 84.008. Retrieved from <http://www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us/Docs/EL/htm/EL.84.htm>
- c) Deadline for Returning Marked Ballot, 7 TEX. ELEC. CODE § 86.007. Retrieved from <http://www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us/Docs/EL/htm/EL.86.htm>



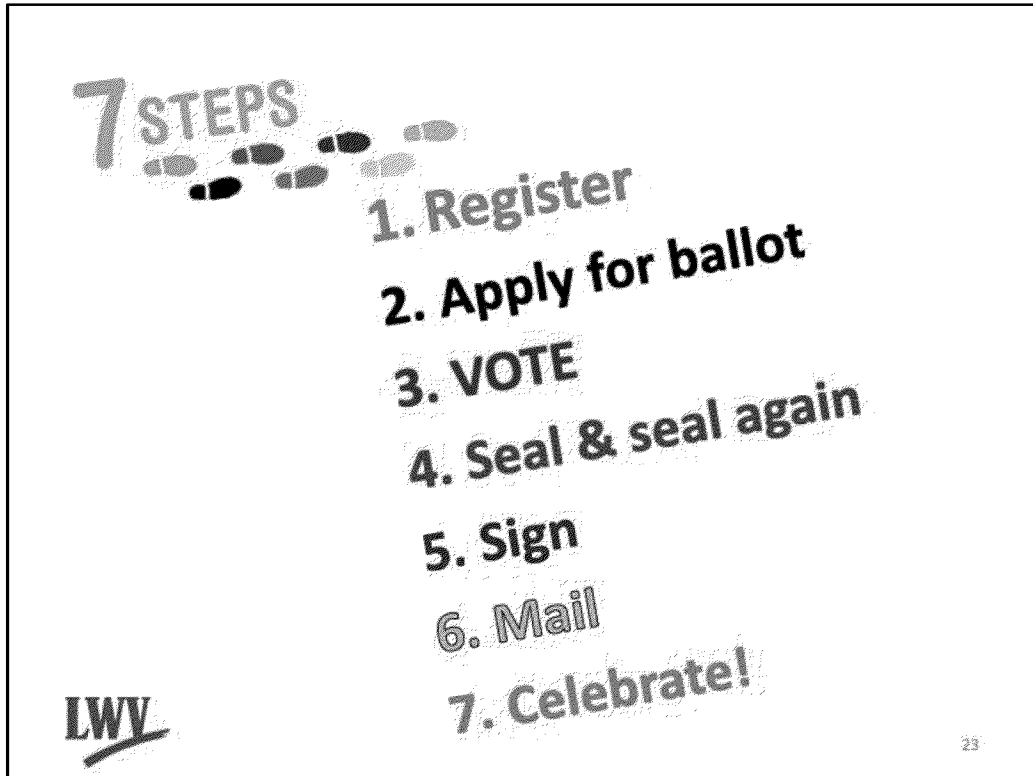


There are always some ballots that don't count because of a simple oversight, such as:

- Forgetting to sign the outside envelope.
- The signature on the envelope and on the Application for Mail Ballot are different.
- Worst of all, it got in the mail too late to arrive by Election Day.

#### **Sources**

- a) California Forward. (2014). Three common errors: Voting by Mail [Image] in *Your final vote by mail cheatsheet!* Retrieved from <http://www.cafwd.org/reporting/entry/your-final-vote-by-mail-cheatsheet>
- b) Google images. Retrieved from <https://images.google.com>



So you can vote by mail, and now you know how:

1. Register to vote or check that your voter registration information is up-to-date.
2. Fill out the Application for Ballot by Mail.
3. Vote as soon as you get it in the mail.
4. Put it in the ballot envelope & seal; then stick that envelope in the outer envelope & seal.
5. Don't forget to sign the back of the envelope.
6. Add a stamp and mail it off.
7. Finally, celebrate our democracy and that you, too, can **Be a Texas Voter!**



Why vote? Because it counts in so many ways!

- Most importantly, voters elect officials who make significant decisions that effect our lives, such as
  - Taxes, roads, minimum wage, teacher pay, social security, health care—you name it
- Politicians listen to the people who vote—and they have access to the list of people who vote and where they live
  - Voting highlights the power of your neighborhood, city and state. The number of people voting from where you live affects the resources allocated to where you live. For example,
  - Senior citizens in this country have great government programs like Social Security and Medicare. That's because seniors as a group have a high turnout rate. So elected officials are very responsive to their needs. Young people on the other hand have a low turnout rate, so politicians are less in tune with their needs.
  - At the local level, have you ever wondered why the streets may be better in some parts of town than in others? If you look into it, you will almost always find that the areas with good streets are where voter turnout is high, and the areas with lots of pot holes are where voter turnout is low. The elected officials responsible for maintaining streets are more sensitive to areas where everybody votes and people talk to them.
- Some of you may not like the choices on the ballot or the fact that your preferred candidate in the last election lost.
  - But in fact, usually half the voters (more or less) win and the rest lose.
  - Close elections encourage elected officials to listen to diverse opinions on an issue.
  - In the upcoming election, we need to vote and make the best choice we can among those running to keep our government functioning.
- Being a voter empowers us to work toward solutions to problems in our community and our nation.
- The only time your vote doesn't count is when you don't vote.

# Exhibit 63

Username or email

Password

LOG IN

[Register \(/user\)](#)  
[Forgot password \(/user/password\)](#)

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## Vote by Mail



SHARE

The League encourages eligible Texans to apply now to stay safe and vote at home!  
Who can vote by mail in Texas?

- 65 years or older
- Sick or disabled
- Out of the county during early voting and election day.
- In jail but otherwise eligible to vote

“One of the grounds for voting by mail is disability. The Election Code defines “disability” to include “a sickness or physical condition that prevents the voter from appearing at the polling place on election day without a likelihood of needing personal assistance or of injuring the voter's health.” (Sec. 82.002). Voters who meet this definition and wish to vote a ballot by mail must submit an application for ballot by mail. **Texas Secretary of State**”

Questions or concerns? Please call the Secretary of State at [elections@sos.texas.gov](mailto:elections@sos.texas.gov) (mailto:elections@sos.texas.gov) or call 800.252.VOTE(8683) or your [county election official](https://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/voter/county.shtml) (https://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/voter/county.shtml).

## To obtain an application to vote by mail:

- Print an application (<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1b9dYxmUSqeElvw3C1JZSZByAWxqCOGLa/view?usp=sharing>), contact your [county election official](http://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/voter/county.shtml) (http://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/voter/county.shtml) for an application, or request an application from the [secretary of state's office](https://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/voter/reqabbbm.shtml) (https://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/voter/reqabbbm.shtml).
- Fill out, sign, and mail to your [Early Voting Clerk](https://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/voter/county.shtml) (https://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/voter/county.shtml), county clerk or election administrator in the county where you are registered to vote.
- Applications must be **received (not postmarked)** by July 3, 2020 for the primary runoff election.

## Fill out the vote by mail application once a year if the voter

- Is 65 years or older
- Is sick or disabled
- Checks the annual application

## Fill out the vote by mail application for each election if the voter

- will be out of the county during early voting and election day. This includes students living away at school.
- is in jail

## Tips for filling out the application

- Avoid any confusion by election officials and sign both your application and ballot in the same way.
- Have ballot mailed to the address where you actually are.
- Include your contact information in case there is a problem with your application.
- Mark the annual box for voters 65 years of age or older and voters with a disability.
- Mark the election you will be voting in. If it is the Primary Election then check the Democratic Primary or the Republican Primary. Check the “any resulting runoff” to automatically receive a ballot.
- Students living away at school check “address outside the county” box.
- Write the dates you are out of the county where you are registered. For example, dates away at school.

### **The vote by mail BALLOT must be at your county election office by election day**

For more information: [Texas Secretary of State](http://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/voter/reqabbbm.shtml) (http://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/voter/reqabbbm.shtml)

### Vote by Mail in Texas





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Election Dates (/texas/voting-elections/election-dates)  
Voters Guide (/texas/voting-elections/voters-guide)  
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Vota! (/texas/voting-elections/vota)  
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Early Voting (/texas/voting-elections/early-voting)  
Voter ID (/texas/voting-elections/voter-id)  
Vote by Mail (/texas/voting-elections/vote-mail)  
First time voters. (/texas/voting-elections/first-time-voter-texas)  
Student Voters (/texas/student-voters)  
Military and Overseas Voters (/texas/voting-elections/military-and-overseas-voters)  
Naturalized Citizens (/texas/voting-elections/naturalized-citizens-voter-registration)  
Election Protection (/texas/voting-elections/election-protection)  
County Election Websites! (/texas/voting-elections/find-your-county-election-website)  
Election Cycles (/texas/voting-elections/election-cycles)  
Get Voting Reminders! (/texas/voting-elections/get-voting-reminders)  
Volunteer Deputy Registrar (/texas/voting-elections/volunteer-deputy-registrar)  
Candidate Forums (/texas/voting-elections/candidate-forums)

★ GET OUT THE VOTE (/TEXAS/GET-OUT-VOTE-0)

★ TEXAS CENSUS (/TEXAS/TEXAS-CENSUS)

★ REDISTRICTING/CENSUS (/TEXAS/REDISTRICTINGCENSUS)

★ CONVENTION (/TEXAS/CONVENTION)

★ ADVOCACY & ISSUES (/TEXAS/LEAGUE-ADVOCACY)

★ FOR EDUCATORS (/TEXAS/EDUCATORS)

★ 100 YEARS OF WOMEN VOTING (/TEXAS/100-YEARS-WOMEN-VOTING-0)

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★ SUPPORT THE LEAGUE (/TEXAS/SUPPORT-LEAGUE)

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@TXCivilRights

Our court hearing on expanding access to vote by mail is back on (after a brief lunch break)! If you believe no one should have to pick between their physical well-being and their right to vote, tune in now to hear closing arguments:  
[youtube.com/channel/UCpGQM...](https://youtube.com/channel/UCpGQM...)

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**LeagueWomenVotersTX**  
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Today's hearing regarding voting by mail in Texas began at 9AM and is live streamed. The League of Women Voters of Texas is an intervenor in the lawsuit. [lwwyoutube.com/watch?v=2ZzuGf...](https://lwwyoutube.com/watch?v=2ZzuGf...)

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**LeagueWomenVotersTX**  
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"But a coalition of voting rights advocates are calling that advisory insufficient. They are demanding more transparency from the Texas secretary of state's office in this time of uncertainty." [#lww #votebymail #COVID2019 tpr.org/post/texas-mat...](https://lww #votebymail #COVID2019 tpr.org/post/texas-mat...)

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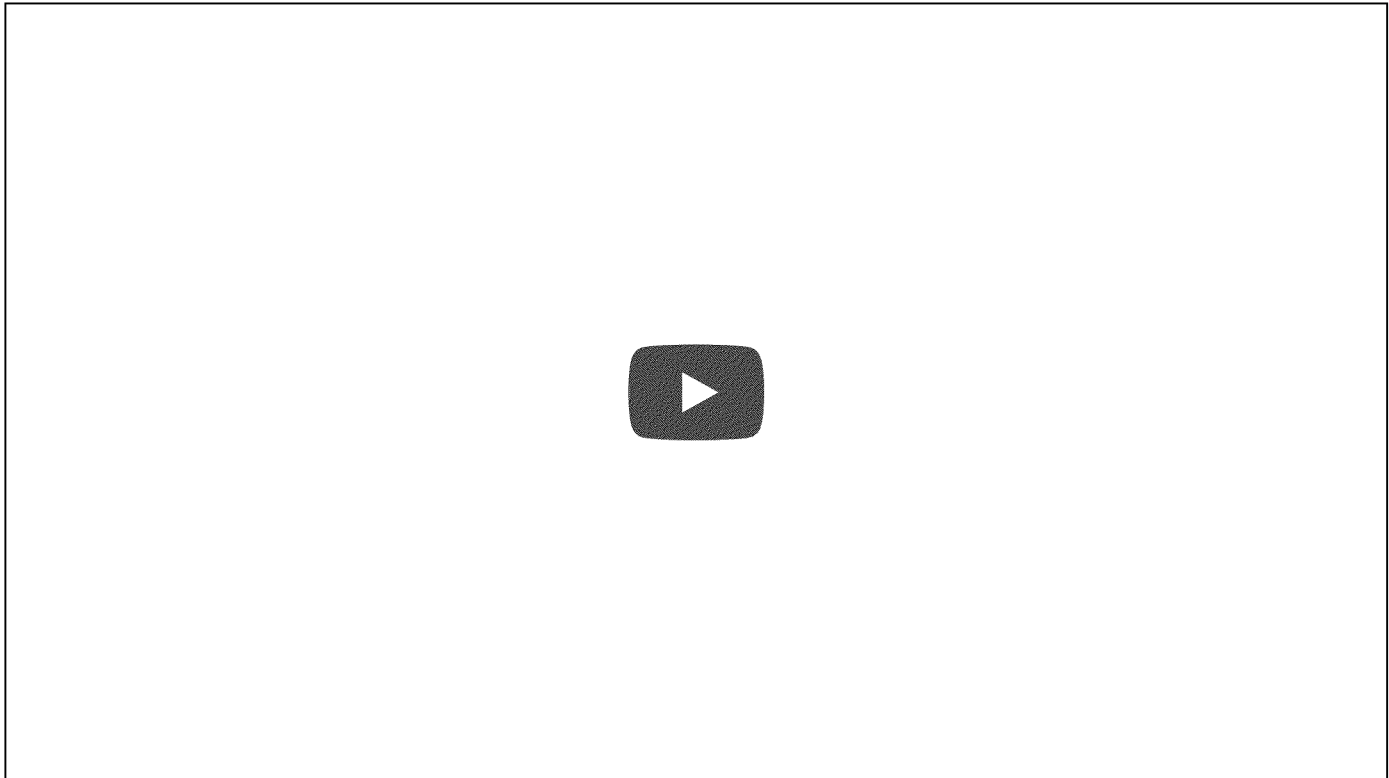
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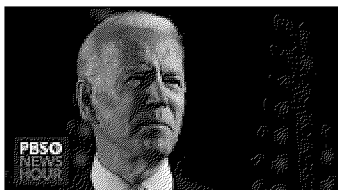
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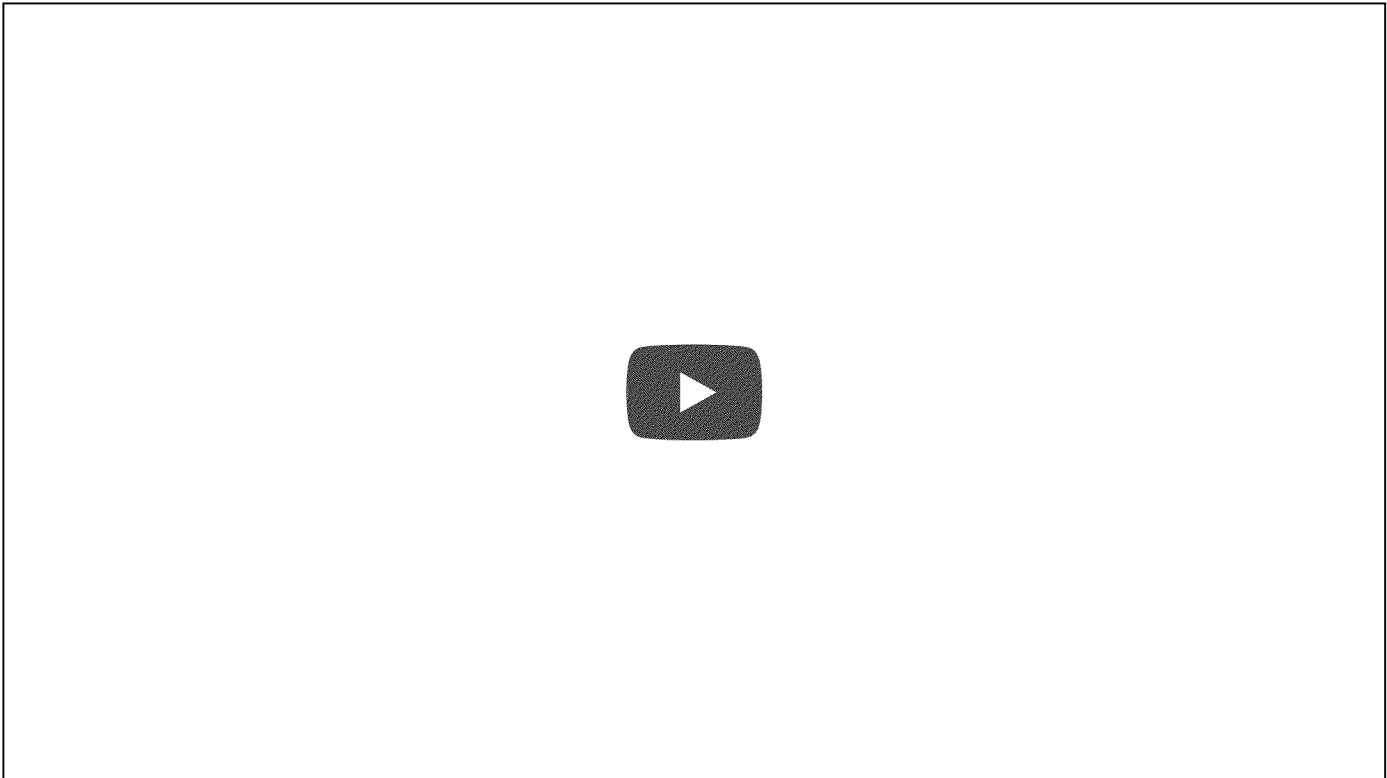


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# EXHIBIT V

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Secretary of State

July 1, 2019


Perla Lara  
City Secretary of McAllen  
1300 Houston Avenue  
McAllen, Texas 78505

Dear Ms. Lara,

An election inspector was assigned to observe the conduct of the June 22, 2019 Runoff Election for the City of McAllen. A copy of the inspector's report is included for your review.

We hope you find this information helpful as you evaluate the election in your city and that it may be useful to you as you plan for the training of future election judges and clerks. We appreciate the challenges you face in administering an election, and we thank you for your service to the voters of Texas. If you have any questions regarding this report, please feel free to contact us toll-free at 1-800-252-8683.

Sincerely,

  
Keith Ingram  
Director of Elections

Enclosures

KI:TO

## N/A



8. Do all sidewalk curbs adjacent to the accessible entrance of the polling place have curb cuts or non-slip ramps? (Y, N or N/A if there are no curbs.)	Y																		
9. If the polling place is not on ground level, is it accessible by an elevator with doors wide enough to accommodate a wheelchair/walker (32 inches wide)? (Y, N or N/A if polling place is on ground level.)	N/A																		
10. What type of accessible voting device is in use at the polling place? (See list below, and indicate letter, or N/A is there if not an accessible voting device.) a. HART eSlate b. HART Verity Touch w/Access c. ES&S iVotronic d. ES&S ExpressVote e. ES&S AutoMARK f. Diebold AccuVote TS R6 or TSX	d																		
11. If a disabled voter used the accessible voting device, was the voter able to cast his or her ballot on the device without assistance (beyond setting the machine up for the voter)? (Y, N or N/A if no disabled voter voted on the device.)	N/A																		

### ELECTIONEERING AND LOITERING

12. Are 100-foot distance markers established? (Y or N)	Y																		
13. Did you observe electioneering inside distance markers by: (Y, N or N/O if electioneering was not observed) (If Y, indicate letter.) a. Candidates? b. News / Media? c. Campaign Workers? d. Voters after Voting? e. Other? (Describe in comment section.)	N/O																		
14. Did you observe loitering inside distance markers by: (Y, N, or N/O if loitering was not observed) (If Y, indicate letter.) a. Candidates? b. News / Media? c. Campaign Workers? d. Voters after Voting? e. Other? (Describe in comment section.)	N/O																		



**PAPERWORK**

15. Is the official list of registered voters maintained on paper or electronically (such as an e-pollbook)? ("P" for paper or "E" for electronic.)	E																		
16. Is the poll list used by the election official (either the physical list of registered voters or an e-pollbook) notated to show which voters voted early by personal appearance or by applying to vote by mail? (Y or N)	N																		
17. Is there a Combination Form or Poll List used by the election workers to add the names of the voters after they checked-in to vote? (The Combination Form/Poll List may be maintained in electronic format.) (Y or N)	Y																		
18. Is there a Combination Form or Signature Roster for the voter to sign after being qualified by the election worker? (The Combination Form/Signature Roster may be maintained in electronic format, and voter will sign electronically.) (Y or N)	Y																		
19. Are the Voter Information Poster and the Sample Ballot posted in prominent locations in the voting area? (Y or N)	Y																		
20. Is the List of Declared Write-In Candidates (if applicable) posted in each voting booth? (Y, N or N/A if no list of write-in candidates required.)	N																		

**POLLING PLACE PROCEDURES**

21. Did the presiding judge print or produce a report (such as a "zero tape") to indicate that zero votes has been case before opening the polling place? (Y, N or N/O)	Y																		
22. Are the voting booths positioned in a manner that preserves voters' privacy? (Y or N)	Y																		
23. Are all election officials wearing a nametag or badge showing their name and position? (Y or N)	Y																		
24. Is each voter asked if he/she has moved from the address shown on the official list of registered voters? (Note: The exact form of the question is not important; some workers ask if the address shown is a good address, etc.) (Y or N)	Y																		



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36. If yes to Question 35, were they allowed to vote? (Y or N)	Y																		
37. Did the judge print out and sign the precinct totals after the polls closed? (Y, N or N/O if you were not at the polling place for the closing of the polls) (Note: You are required to be at one of the polling locations at closing time.)	Y																		
<b>ELECTRONIC VOTING SYSTEMS</b> (If the polling place is using Optical or hand counted paper ballots, proceed to Question 42.)																			
38. Was the flash memory card secured with a lock and numbered seal? (Y, N or N/O)	Y																		
39. Did you witness any illegal tampering of the electronic voting devices? (Y or N)	N																		
40. Did the equipment operate properly? (Y or N) (If N, detail problem and actions taken by the election officials in the comment area.)	Y																		
41. If a voter walked away from a DRE without pressing the "CAST" button, did the poll workers CANCEL the ballot? (Y, N or N/A if DREs were not used or no voter walked away.)	N/A																		
<b>ASSISTANCE TO VOTER</b> (If you did not observe voter assistance move to the Bilingual Assistance, proceed to Question 46.)																			
42. When assisted by election officials, did two officials perform assistance to the voter? (Y or N)	N/A																		
43. Were poll watchers allowed to observe assistance if being assisted by two election officials? (Y, N or N/A if no poll watchers were present.)	N/A																		
44. When a voter brought in their own assistant, did the person assisting take the Oath of Assistance? (Y, N or N/A, if voter did not bring their own assistant.)	N/A																		
45. When a voter brought in their own assistant, was the name and address of the assistant recorded next to the voter's name on the poll list? (Y, N or N/A, if voter did not bring their own assistant.)	N/A																		
<b>BILINGUAL ASSISTANCE</b>																			
46. Are there bilingual written instructions for voters? (Y or N)	Y																		



47. Are the ballots bilingual? (Y or N)	N/A																		
48. Are bilingual election clerks available on site? (Y or N)	Y																		
49. Were interpreters requested or needed by voters? (Y or N) (If N go to question 52.)	N																		
50. Were voters told they could select an interpreter of their choice if needed? (Y or N)	N/A																		
51. Did you see the interpreters when given the oath of interpreter? (Y or N)	N/A																		
<b>PROVISIONAL VOTING</b> (If you did not observe any persons voting provisionally, please proceed to Question 62.)																			
52. If a voter did not have an acceptable form of identification, were they notified that they could cast a provisional ballot? (Y, N or N/A if there were not any voters that appeared without an acceptable ID.)	N/A																		
53. If a voter's name on their ID did not match or was not substantially similar to the name on the list of registered voters, were they notified that they can cast a provisional ballot? (Y, N or N/A if no voter's name was found to be not identical or substantially similar.)	N/A																		
54. Does the polling place have provisional ballots and provisional ballot affidavit envelopes (the envelopes are usually green in color)? (Note: If the polling place uses DREs, a provisional ballot may be cast on the electronic voting system.) (Y or N)	Y																		
55. If optical scan paper ballots are used, is "Provisional Ballot" stamped or written on the back of the ballot, along with the judge's name? (Y, N, or N/A if provisional optical scan paper ballots are not used.)	N/A																		
56. If optical scan paper ballots are used, are secret ballot envelopes (the envelopes are usually white in color) provided to the provisional voter? (Y, N, or N/A if provisional optical scan paper ballots are not used.)	N/A																		
57. Were all provisional voters given a "Notice to Provisional Voter"? (Y or N)	N/A																		
58. Were voters required to complete the provisional voter affidavit prior to casting their provisional ballot? (Y or N)	N/A																		



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## GENERAL QUESTIONS

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**PAPER BALLOTS** (ONLY answer these questions if you are at a polling using hand counted paper ballots.)

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COMMENT SECTION

Use this section to describe any noteworthy occurrence you observed while you were present at any of the polling places. Identify polling place by precinct number.

Provide County Central Counting Station irregularities if you were there at the end of election night for ballot delivery and counting.

This report is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and is an accurate report as observed.

Date:

06/26/2019

Signature of Inspector:

MARIA Rodriguez





## Inspector Report for Early Voting Ballot Board Meeting

**Political Subdivision Inspected:** McAllen, TX  
(Name of City, School, County, or other)

**Date of Election:** 6/22/2019 **Inspector:** Maria Rodriguez

**Type of Voting:** ☐ Paper ☒ Optical Scan

**Instructions:** Answer all questions Y, N, Not/Observed, or Not/Applicable, unless otherwise indicated.

**PAPERWORK:** Did officials have

1. Early voting poll list? (Y or N)	Y
2. Jacket Envelopes containing applications, carrier envelopes, and other accompanying information? (Y or N)	Y
3. List of Declared Write-In Candidates, if any. (Y, N or N/A)	N/A
4a. Envelope #1? (Y or N)	Y
4b. Envelope #2? (Y or N)	Y
4c. Envelope #3? (Y or N)	Y
4d. Envelope #4? (Y or N)	Y

**MISCELLANEOUS:**

5. How many members did the early voting ballot board consist of? (Provide number)	5
6. When were the early voting ballot materials delivered to the early voting ballot board? (Provide time/estimation)	2:30 PM
7. Did the early voting ballot board/signature verification committee meet prior to election day to qualify the early voting ballots? (i.e., to compare the signature on the application for a ballot by mail with the signature on the carrier envelope.) (Y or N)	N
8. In counties with over 100,000 population using electronic voting- did the EVBB begin counting ballots before election day? (Y, N or N/A)	N

**PROCEDURES:**

9. Were the early voting ballot boxes delivered with two locks and a numbered wire seal? (Y, N or N/A, if ballot boxes were not used)	N*
10. If the ballots were not pre-qualified the day/night before meeting, did the ballot board members compare signatures properly? (Y, N or N/A)	Y
11. Did the ballot board review each application to ensure it was a valid application? (Y or N)	Y
12. If you answered no to #10 or #11, what were the procedures? (Provide explanation below.)	
13. Once the ballots were qualified, did the ballot board open the carrier envelopes, remove the ballot envelopes, and then deposit the unopened ballot envelopes into a ballot box? (Y or N)	Y
14. If you answered no to #13, what procedure were used? (Provide explanation below.)	
15. Once qualified, was the voter's name entered on the early voting poll list? (Y or N)	Y
16. Were the applications, carrier envelopes, and accompanying papers put back in the voter's jacket envelope? (Y or N)	Y

17. Did the ballot board make sure there were at least 10 ballots in the ballot box before removing ballots from the ballot envelope and COUNTING the ballots? If not, please explain below. <i>(Y or N)</i>	Y
18. Were the completed Affidavits and Statements of Residence placed in Envelope Number 4 or another container designated for the county voter registrar? <i>(Y, N or N/A)</i>	N/A
19. Were ballots rejected if the carrier envelopes were marked "Statement Enclosed" and did not contain the "Statement of Residence"? <i>(Y, N or N/A)</i>	N/A
20. If the statement of residence was not found in the carrier envelope, did the board open the ballot envelope at that time to confirm it was not enclosed with the ballot? <i>(Y or N)</i>	N/A
21. Were ballots rejected if the list of registered voters had "ID" marked next to the voter's name and no copy of ID (or no completed Notice to Voter Who Must Provide ID) was enclosed? <i>(Y or N)</i>	N/A
22. If no ID was enclosed in the carrier envelope, did the board open the ballot envelope at that time to confirm a copy of ID or completed Notice was not enclosed with the ballot? <i>(Y or N)</i>	N/A
23. Were poll watchers present? <i>(Y or N) ) If not wearing a nametag please write in comment section number 25.</i>	N
24. Were there any problems with poll watchers? <i>If yes, explain in the comments section of this report or attach another page.</i>	N/A
25. Explanations: #12 _____ _____ #14 _____ _____ #23 _____ _____ #24 _____ _____ _____	
26. Provide specific information concerning any unusual activity personally observed by you. In my opinion, board members were having a hard time agreeing on signatures and had a little trouble on other issues. When ballots were delivered to the EVBB it was not locked or sealed. _____ _____	
This report is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and is an accurate report as observed. Date: 6/22/2019 Signature of Inspector: Maria Rodriguez	